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Unmarried Maidens.

The sad woman is the unmarried maiden who longs and craves for children, and sees little hope. Ready and awaiting the beckoning from reprehensible, soulless bachelors, she pines in anxious expectation for some happy day when some awakened celibate finally realises his duty, and takes with her the responsibility of family.

In Italy we have made every effort to increase the institutions devoted to maternity and care of the infant.

The problem of infant mortality was a serious one, especially in Southern Italy, but the Fascist Government entered into the solution of the maternity and infancy problems with a firm will to reduce the mortality by providing the proper medical and health conditions.

The money assessed as a bachelor tax, amounting to approximately £340,540 annually, devoted to this aim, is being well spent and giving the most gratifying results.

The woman in childbirth in Italy is one of the first cares of the State, a duty so compelling as to demand the close and earnest attention of the highest officers of the nation.

The Personal Touch.

And aside from the general State measures which are being put into force to deal with the situation in its entirety, I have installed a separate bureau which is to deal with exceptional cases which do not

come in the ordinary course of maternity and infancy.

The prefects of the provinces throughout Italy have received orders to inform me personally of unusually large families, of their economic situation, and the conditions under which they live.

If these families live under difficult strains, we try to administer the necessary financial help to tide them over a crisis. The State officials throughout the entire kingdom are on the alert to bring succour to the needy and relief to the suffering whenever they discover meritorious cases.

Rights of Labour.

The principal reason generally given for limiting the birth of children is an economic one.

But does the question of birth control rest on an economic base?

Now I yield to no man in zeal for the championing and defence of the rights of labour. The labouring classes cannot be deprived of any of the advantages they have won. It is their right to obtain, and it is the community's duty to insist on, healthful living quarters, provided with all conveniences, that the family of the working man may live and that he may rear his offspring in comfort.

He should have time for recreation and should be provided with amusement in so far as the State is able to do so. Opportunities for the education of his children should be within his reach. Medical attention should be available for him, so that the children may be maintained in health and be brought up to be robust specimens of manhood.

It is under such conditions as these that the modern working man can rear his family. If the working man successfully reared a family fifty or a hundred years ago while living in what we would regard today as intolerable conditions, how much more should present standards invite him to settle down and bear the responsibilities of large family as a burden duty to himself and to the nation!

Malthus Confounded.

It is now more than a century since Malthus promulgated his famous theory that population increases much faster than the means of subsistence, and yet we are face to face with quite the opposite phenomenon.

The wealth of the nations today is increasing enormously per capita from decade to decade. The fact is that the means of subsistence have been increasing much faster than the population, so that in practically every country there is infinitely more wealth to be distributed than there was ten, twenty, or fifty years ago.

We know that people are getting more and living better than they ever did in the history of the world.

The economic question thus becomes, not a question for birth control, but really an impetus for the rearing of large families.

The peasant, the baker, the butcher and the cobbler can assume the duties of fatherhood with far greater confidence in the future than their predecessors of fifty years ago.

Government's Functions.

The wise and provident government of today will regard it a sacred duty to assure the care of the home, to give heed to the expectant mother, ensure attention in the hours of birth and secure to the convalescent mother and the new citizen the necessities for restoration, and for a robust start in life.

The call of motherhood beats in the breast of every fair woman. The man or the woman who purposely and conscientiously adopts means to stifle the continuation of the race violates a God-given and priceless patrimony to perform one of the divinest of functions, offends the beauty and romance with which Nature has clothed procreation of ourselves, and commits the unpardonable sin against the fatherland.

The nation's conscience must be moved against the purposely childless couple, and if there is to be a taboo, let the stigma be placed on them, and not on the innocent unborn, who possess a national and divine right to be welcomed as the embryo of the new generation.

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To-day.

(August 20.)

Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

Billiards: Buffalo Club v. Garrison Mess. Police v. K.O.S.B. Royal Artillery v. Royal Engineers, Police Reserves v. Craigengower, C. and P.O.'s Club v. Somersets.

Water Polo: K.O.S.B. "A" v. V.R.C. "A" Chinese "A" v. Navy. Queen's Theatre: "The Girl from Chicago."

World Theatre: "Beverly of Graustark."

Star Theatre: "The Untamed Lady."

Dinner Dances: H.K. Hotel, Peninsula, and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

Tides: High: 9 a.m. and 10.49 p.m.; Low: 2.37 a.m. and 4.14 p.m.

European Mails: — Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Achilles), 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday.

(August 21.)

Water Polo: K.O.S.B. "B" v. Kowloon "B" V.R.C. "B" 5.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Girl from Chicago."

World Theatre: "Beverly of Graustark."

Star Theatre: "The Untamed Lady."

Dinner Dances: H.K. Hotel, Peninsula, and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

Tides: High: 9.25 a.m. and 11.04 p.m.; Low: 3.16 a.m. and 4.45 p.m.

European Mails: — Outward: Europe via Vancouver, B.C. (Emp. of Russia), 10 a.m.

Thursday.

(August 22.)

Queen's Theatre: "Four Walls."

World Theatre: "Red Lips."

Star Theatre: "Gigolo."

Dinner Dances: H.K. Hotel, Peninsula, and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

Tides: High: 10.00 a.m. and 11.21 p.m.; Low: 3.44 a.m. and 5.16 p.m.

European Mails: — Inward: London via Straits, parcels (Hector).

Friday.

(August 23.)

Christian Fellowship Meeting, Helena May Institute, 10.30 a.m.

Billiards: — Garrison Mess. v. Buffalo Club, K.O.S.B. v. H.K. Police, B.E. v. R.A., Craigengower v. H.K. Police Res., Somersets v. O. and P.O.'s Club.

Queen's Theatre: "Four Walls."

World Theatre: "Red Lips."

Star Theatre: "Gigolo."

Promenade Concert, H.K.V.D.C., Parade Ground, 8.15 p.m.

Saturday.

(August 24.)

St. Bartholomew.

Lawn Bowls: — Division I: Police v. Taikoo, Kowloon C.C. v. Craigengower, Kowloon D.R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C., Civil Service v. Recreation, Division II: Taikoo v. Civil Service, Recreation v. Yacht Club, Kowloon B.G.C. v. Kowloon C.C., Craigengower v. Hong Kong Electric.

Beachball: 8 China v. Japanese, V.R.C. Night Fete, 9.15 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Four Walls."

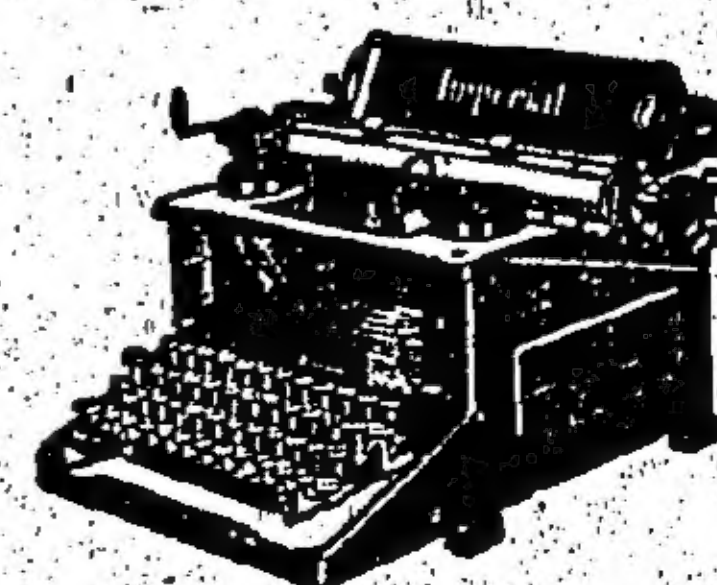
World Theatre: "Red Lips."

Star Theatre: "Gigolo."

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Peninsula Hotel and Repulse Bay Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

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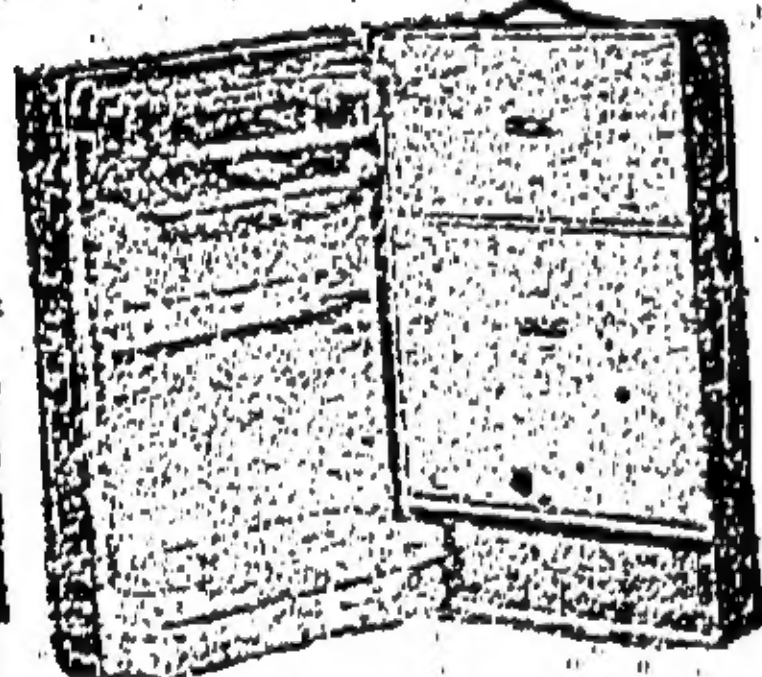
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"MADAME X" MURDER TRIAL ACQUITTAL.

HUSBAND SMILES AT JURY'S VERDICT.

Astonishing scenes occurred at Swansea Assizes when Thomas Henry Jackson, aged thirty-seven, was found "Not guilty" of murdering his wife, Mrs. Kate Jackson, known as "Madame X," after a trial which lasted five days and a half.

The jury decided on their verdict after they had been absent from the crowded court for a little over half an hour, and when it was announced there was an outburst of clapping and cheering, chiefly from women, packed in the gallery.

Jackson smiled faintly when he heard the verdict. He shook hands with his counsel, and, after being discharged, went downstairs.

A great crowd, marshalled by the police, gathered outside the court to see Jackson drive away.

Jackson left the court by a back entrance, and so eluded the crowd which had assembled in front of the building. He drove direct to the house of his father, Mr. Tom Jackson, an ex-Welsh international Rugby football player, who is a publican on the outskirts of Swansea. There he was greeted by his adopted daughter Betty.

"No Definite Plans."

Jackson said to a newspaper representative: "I have no definite plans about the future. For the present, at any rate, Betty and I will live with my father."

Jackson's father had attended the court all the week. He was obviously in a state of acute anxiety when the jury returned after the judge's summing-up. When he heard the verdict of "Not guilty," he rose with his arms extended and moved down the steps towards the dock where his son was standing.

A policeman, with a kindly gesture, indicated that he could go no further, and then Mr. Jackson sank down in a state bordering on collapse on one of the seats immediately behind the dock.

His son, freed from the dock a few minutes later, embraced and kissed him.

The accusation was that Jackson, a fishmonger, murdered his wife in their bungalow, Kenilworth, at the Mumbles. Mrs. Kate Jackson became known as "Madame X" because she was referred to in that name when she figured in an embroilment case at the Central Criminal Court.

Mr. Justice Wright, summing up, said that there had been a great deal of talk about mysteries connected with Mrs. Jackson, but he could see none, at any rate since 1910, when she left the man Le Grys.

Anonymous Letters.

"The anonymous letters are like many others," he added, "but the people who write anonymous letters

are generally of a different type from people capable of executing a murder."

"If any stranger did murder this woman it must have been done in consequence of a deliberate scheme and of set purpose. I have heard no evidence at all which would indicate in any way that Mrs. Jackson had any enemies likely to do her harm."

"It is a possibility, but a possibility so bare that, although it is not to be eliminated, you have to consider the positive evidence in the case."

"There is circumstantial evidence against the husband, which, I venture to think, is very strong. Was Jackson's conduct that of an innocent or a guilty man? He has shown himself in the box to be quick-tempered and quick-witted, and very ready with devices. Why were the neighbours not asked in at once? Why were not the police called? Various explanations have been made, but to me these questions remain unanswered."

"Was Jackson quick-witted and rapid in dealing with a situation opening up a line of retreat and defence? Can it be that when he saw the neighbour, Mrs. Gammon, and told her that he would go for a doctor if his wife became worse, he was so obtuse as not to appreciate the seriousness of the position?"

"Extraordinary Thing."

Mr. Justice Wright added that Mr. Jackson never reported the matter to the police, who heard about it from the hospital. That, again, was a most extraordinary thing.

It was difficult to believe Jackson when he said that he did not know the matter was so serious. His different explanations did not agree, but were any of them consistent with the attitude of an innocent man whose wife had been attacked and severely injured?

Mr. Justice Wright said that he did not pretend to understand the disappearance of Mrs. Jackson's gloves for a fortnight after the murder, but it was inconceivable that, as Jackson said, they were lying where they were found for that time before the police discovered them.

It was a most extraordinary thing that there was found in Jackson's house a tyre lever, not in the open, but in a position of concealment, where it was almost incredible that it could have been by accident.

"Where there is sufficient evidence of fact in other directions the question of motive counts not to be important," concluded Mr. Justice Wright. "There is no evidence of any secret enemy. There is merely a surmise or possibility, and against that there is still the evidence which the prosecution has produced."

Mr. Justice Wright's summing-up took one hour forty minutes.

CHILD'S BODY MUTILATED.

ENGLISHMAN ARRESTED IN PARIS.

A French couple, the parents of Jeannine Bigogne, 4 years, who live in Paris, heard piercing screams but did not associate them with her till she failed to return from an errand. A search proved fruitless. The next day her mutilated body was found in a trunk on the banks of the Seine.

The police arrested an Englishman, Sidney Harley, who pleaded that he was cycling when he knocked down and killed the child. He lost his head, carried the body to his room, and decided to conceal it in a trunk. Harley, who is an engineer in the British Army, lived in the same hotel as the Bigognes.

He complained of the police's rough handling, and said that, despite the fact that he told them the full story, they lashed him to a chair in the full gaze of callers. Crowds outside the prison called "Hang him."

Harley complained that he was tied to a bench by one hand with a rope and interviewed in this condition by newspapermen. "They haven't given me a chance, as you see," he said. "They have treated me terribly."

Harley admitted that the story he originally told the police that he had knocked down the little girl while cycling was untrue. "I was in such a state that I did not know what to say," he added. "Each day the child's mother would go to work. On Tuesday, when I returned from work, I met Jeannine in the corridor of the hotel, invited her to my room, and gave her sweets. The child cried for her mother, and I was frightened. I tried to stop her crying, and then she died."

The public and newspapers are indignant at the crime. Harley was employed as a telegraphist. He is married, and has a daughter the same age as Jeannine. His wife and child are at present in America. When Harley was taken in order to be present at the search of his hotel, the crowd was threatening, and a strong body of police was required.

CHILDLESS WOMEN IN POLITICS.

NOT FULLY REPRESENTATIVE OF THEIR SEX.

Over 2,000 members of branches of the Mothers' Union attended the annual festival at Durham Cathedral. The special preacher was the Bishop of Durham, who said that it was one of the disadvantages of the admission of women to political life on equal terms with men that inevitably the representation of women in public life tended to fall into the hands of women who were unmarried or childless. They could never be the truest exponents of the woman's mind and character.

They all knew unmarried, childless women who had in a wonderful way disclosed that unselfishness and affection for children which was truly called motherly, but for the natural experience of child-bearing, with all its pains and sacrifices, was the indispensable condition of motherly character, and he must needs think it unfortunate that the representation of women in public life should be so largely in the hands of those who did not possess that primary qualification.

It was a grave matter that so many people should be so badly housed that a healthy, physical, and moral appearance seemed to be almost prohibited. It was a grave matter that lack of employment and low rates of wages made proper feeding and clothing for the family so extremely difficult. But those were not the worst conditions of home life. The most ruinous circumstance of all was the absence of a good mother. Motherhood was by general confession the crown of marriage.

Woman at Wilkesden: She insulted me, my biting my arm through my coat.

Judge, Cluer, at Shoreditch County Court: I regret there is not a rule which prevents me from committing a person to prison where the judgment creditor is a money-lender, a tellyman, or a credit draper, but there is not.

INDIANISATION OF ARMY.

PUBLICATION OF REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEE URGED.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah, in a statement to the Times of India says:—

"My attention has been drawn to the question put by Major Graham Pole in the House of Commons suggesting to the Secretary of State for India to consider the advisability of reversing the policy of the late Government, in withholding from publication the report of the sub-committee of the Indian Sandhurst Committee, and the reply of Mr. Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for India, which is reported as follows:—

"The Sken Committee had the report before them and founded many of their conclusions thereon, quoting it in *extenso* where necessary. His difficulty in consenting to the publication was that witnesses when they gave evidence understood that they were expressing personal, and to some extent, confidential views."

"As I was the Chairman of the Sub-Committee, I feel that this inaccurate and misleading statement of the Secretary of State for India should not be allowed to pass without correction. No doubt the report of the sub-committee was before the Indian Sandhurst Committee and they have quoted from it to a certain extent, but certainly not in *extenso*."

"The Sken Committee after full consideration unanimously passed a resolution to the effect that the report of the sub-committee, the evidence of witnesses that appeared before them and the materials collected by them should be published except what was recorded by them in *extenso*, and the resolution so passed was communicated to the Government of India."

Nature of Evidence.

"The excuse that is put forward now is devoid of any foundation, that the witnesses understood that they were expressing personal and to some extent, confidential views. Questionnaires were sent in advance to the various heads of departments and institutions concerned. Most of the questionnaires were drafted by the Sken Committee in India, and the sub-committee information relation to the points involved in the questionnaires."

"Answers were received by us in London, as the Sub-Committee, from various persons who subsequently appeared before us as witnesses, as admitted by the Secretary of State for India, to give oral evidence, and they knew perfectly well that their evidence was being taken down on some occasion by shorthand writers and on others by the Secretary of the sub-committee Major Lumley."

"No witness was left under the impression that his evidence would not be published or that it was to be treated as confidential, barring the Indian endots who were examined in camera, as they were the only ones who desired to do so for obvious reasons."

"I regret to find that His Majesty's Government are still withholding publication of very important and valuable information regarding the question of Indianisation of the army and are preventing the people of India from having a real and true perspective of the training given at, and the working of, the institutions of the four countries we visited, namely, America, Canada, France and England."

"The flimsy ground that is put forward for withholding publication is the strongest proof in support of the condemnation of the attitude of the late Government. May I request the new Secretary of State for India, who, of course, has to depend upon information supplied to him by the Department, to go more deeply into the matter and scrutinise the question more minutely and critically."

"I feel that his difficulty in consenting to give publication to the sub-committee's report will disappear, and what is more, it will absolve His Government from the charge that these materials are suppressed, as the Government do not wish to face the light of day and of public opinion."

JUDGE'S ONE USE FOR THE TELEPHONE.

WHEN PEOPLE ARE TOLD TO "PUT IT IN WRITING."

"You will have to be very careful to keep your lips away from the dictaphone occasionally if it repeats all you say; you would frighten some of your typists, I should think," remarked Mr. Justice Eve in the Chancery Division when told that a solicitor used a dictaphone for dictating a draft of a deed of voluntary settlement which it was sought to rectify.

Mr. Justice Eve also remarked, "If you will employ such means I do not wonder that it has gone wrong. People want to talk to me sometimes over the telephone. I say to them, 'No, put it in writing.' I do not mind discussing pleasure over the telephone."

BY MAIL, WIRE, AND WIRELESS.

Glasgow.—Mme. Curie has been presented with the freedom of the city.

London.—The Chancellor of the Exchequer acknowledges with thanks the receipt of £4 towards the reduction of the National Debt.

Margate.—The 41st Congress and Health Exhibition of the Royal Sanitary Institute will be held next year at Margate from June 21 to June 28, at the invitation of the town council.

Whitby.—The death has occurred of Mr. Christopher Moody, 63, general manager of the Newport and Britannia ironworks of Dorman Long & Co., Middlesbrough.

Bromley.—A 12in. water main on Bromley Common, Kent, burst and the water supply to many houses was affected. The road was flooded for about 200 yards.

London.—Police officers in plain clothes from Vine Street Station visited the premises of the St. Martin's New Social Club in St. Martin's Street, Leicester Square, early in the morning recently, and took a number of names and addresses.

Rome.—Signor Mussolini, accompanied by General Balbo, Under-Secretary for Air, flew to Orbetello, and reviewed the squadron of seaplanes who had returned from its cruise in the Near East. In concluding a speech of congratulation, Signor Mussolini asked: "To whom belong the skies?" and was answered by a rousing shout of "To us."

Brussels.—Otto de Beney, adventurer and impersonator, who was sentenced many times for fraud and also for the illegal use of uniforms and decorations, committed suicide in Brussels by throwing himself from the third floor of a house. One of de Beney's exploits was the decorating of General Allen, of the United States Army, at Coblenz, in the name of the King of the Belgians.

Marseilles.—Francois Pinet, charged with the murder of Miss Branson at Les Baux, was again interrogated by M. Roche, the Examining Magistrate, and confronted with several witnesses brought specially from Les Baux. No new evidence was advanced that could be said to confirm the suspicions against the accused, who persisted in denying any participation or complicity in the murder.

Alice Springs.—One of the longest man hunts in the history of Central Australia has ended with the arrival of Mounted Constable Murray bringing with him an aborigine named Willaberta Jack, who is accused of the murder of a cattle owner, Mr. Harry Henry, more than six months ago. The police have been searching for him ever since, but, being a master of hushcraft and with a very intimate knowledge of the country, he was able to evade them.

Ashford.—The Kent Standing Joint Committee have appointed Mr. W. L. Platts, clerk of the Cornwall County Council, as Clerk of the Peace for Kent and Clerk of the Kent County Council, in place of Mr. W. Prosser, who has resigned, and the appointment takes effect from October 1.

Leeds.—The Gilchrist Educational Trust has made a grant of £250 a year for three years to enable the Y.M.C.A. to extend its special educational work to Lancashire and Yorkshire, and has decided to make permanent its present grant of £50 a year towards the general educational work of the Y.M.C.A.

Southampton.—William Cardy, 64, a farmer, of Thornhill Park Farm, Bitterne, Southampton, was charged at the Southampton Police Court with attempting to murder Mr. Robert Hughes, a solicitor, by shooting at him with a revolver in his office. Cardy was remanded in custody.

Paris.—Marshal Pétain has been elected to the Académie Française in place of the late Marshal Foch. The ballot for the successor to M. de Curiel was inconclusive, and the election was adjourned sine die.

Dunedin.—The ownership of Lake Omarepa, New Zealand which has been in dispute between the Ngapuhi tribe and the Crown, has been awarded to the Maori by a decision of the Native Land Court.

Vienna.—Forty-seven Canadian newspaper proprietors and editors, who are on a tour through Continental capitals, have arrived in Vienna, and have been received by the President of Austria and the Chancellor.

La Hague.—The Hungarian Lower House of Parliament has ratified the Kellogg Pact and passed the Bill by which Hungary recognizes the competence of Article 38 of the Statute of the Permanent International Court in The Hague.

A barrister at the Old Bailey referred to a woman as a "dress-maker." The Common Serjeant: She calls herself a gown specialist—like an artist in chimney.

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MYSTERY CITY'S SECRETS.

WOMEN EXCAVATORS' SEARCH.

Work has been in progress for some months upon excavations carried out among the ruins of Great Zimbabwe in Southern Rhodesia, believed by earlier explorers to have been the site of King Solomon's Mines.

This work has been in charge of an English woman investigator, Miss G. Caton-Thompson, a product of Newham, and perhaps one of the most eminent living archaeologists. She has had in her task of investigating the famous "mystery city of South Africa" the assistance of Miss Kanyon, daughter of Sir Frederick Kanyon, Rhodesia, of the British Museum, Miss D. Norrie, an expert in architecture, and a photographer.

With a motor lorry for transport, and a gang of Makalanga boys for labour, these intrepid women, with the photographer, have been at work on a task which has puzzled scientists and explorers ever since the ruins were re-discovered by Adam Reeders in 1868.

"Mystery to be Solved."

The ruins of Zimbabwe consist of a vast circular structure known as the "Elliptical Temple," which stands on one side of a valley. Below are the remains of a city of circular houses and winding streets, while on the hill top is an impenetrable fortress known as the "Acropolis."

"The question of preserving the ruins has been taken up by the Rhodesian Government, and the Curator of the Zimbabwe Reserve, Mr. S. C. A. Wallace, estimates that over 60,000 tons of stone were used to build the "Elliptical Temple," and nearly twice as much in the construction of the "Acropolis."

Explorers are agreed that Zimbabwe was once the flourishing town of a gold-mining community. The mystery to be solved—and to which these English women explorers are to make such an important contribution—is who were the people who lived there, and at what date was the city built?

An Aerial Survey.

In this direction, Miss Caton-Thompson proposes later to seek for undisturbed evidences of buildings in the district which, if found, would shed much light on the period of the buildings and the nationality of the people.

Miss Caton-Thompson has recently obtained the assistance of the Union Air Force for the purposes of an aerial survey.

GIFT FROM THE BENCH.

Three magistrates sitting on the Enfield Bench each subscribed half-a-crown to Frank Bird, aged twenty-eight, an unemployed labourer, who was accused of wandering abroad without visible means of subsistence.

Bird stated that he recently returned from New Zealand, and was penniless. He wanted to go to Somerset House to obtain some papers in order to claim money which was due to him. He was warned by the chairman that if his story was a myth he would have a "hot time" if he was seen again in Enfield.

HUMOUR: ANCIENT AND MODERN.

MacIntosh—An' when will ye dine w' us again?
MacTavish—Now, if ye like.

"Can I speak to Mr. Smith, please?"
"Mr. Smith, senior?"
"No, he hasn't yet!"

Sambo—"Did Brudder Brown gib de bride away?"
Rastus—"No, sah; he gwine let de groom fin' her out for himself."

Stranger: Say, where can a fellow get some gas in this town?
Prospector: Right over there, up one flight of stairs, in that real estate office.

"My wife weighs in the neighbourhood of three hundred pounds."
"If she'd walk a few miles a day she'd soon get out of that neighbourhood."

Wife (at top of stairs): "Explain yourself. Where have you been till this hour?"
Husband: "My dear—er—stop me if you've heard this one."

She had waited weeks for him to propose, and had almost given up in despair. Then he revived her hopes by asking—
"Are your mother and father decent old things to live with?"

The playwright, who was casting a new show, was discussing with a lady the difficulty of filling one particular part.

"I want," he said, "a young man who looks like Lindbergh, who is tall, blue-eyed, who has sex appeal, a sense of humour, and an air of distinction."
"So I," sighed the lady.

An Englishman took an American friend to see his first cricket match at Lord's. The game was exceedingly dull, but the visitor stuck it out without comment.

At the close of play the Londoner said: "What would you like to do to-morrow?"
"Oh," said the American, politely, "I'd like to do just whatever would suit you best. How about a nice rollickin' funeral?"

Doctor: "Name?"
Patient: "Brown, sir—Mrs. Brown."
"With an 'e'?"
"No, sir, widow!"

First Lady: "If you ain't tellin' lies, I'll eat me out!"
Second Lady: "You be careful, dearie. The berries on them cheap 'ats is gen'ally poisonous."

Young Man: "Did I see you taking a tramp over the hill last Sunday?"
The Girl: "How insulting! That was Uncle Henry."

Farmer: "I never saw such a season. My corn isn't an inch high!"
Neighbour: "An inch? Why, the sparrows have to kneel down to eat mine."

"I say, did you have an accident?"
"Not at all. Didn't you notice? I turned the car upside down to see what made the wheels go round."

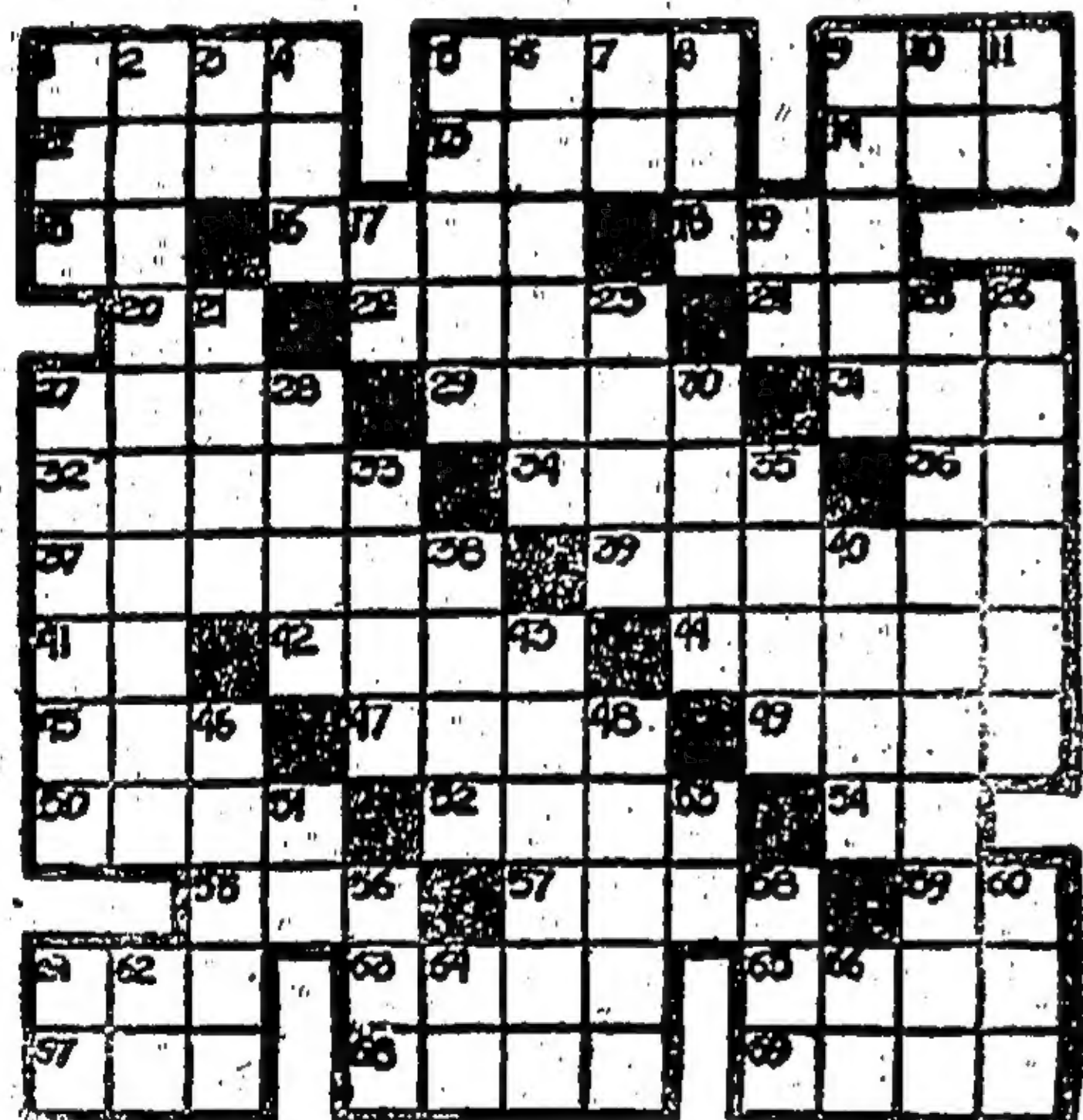
Prospective Suitor (to proprietor of fried fish shop): "Can I marry your daughter?"
"What?"

Suitor (feebly): "Two penny-worth of chips, please."

Daddy was having a round of golf with a friend, and little Joan came along with mummy to look on. After watching the game for some time, Joan asked:
"Mustn't the ball go into that little hole, mummy?"

"Sir," said the woman to the proprietor of the shop, "last week you sold me a parrot and told me it could speak seven languages. I have had that parrot six days and he hasn't opened his mouth. What do you mean by selling me a bird like that? Do you realize I paid you good money for a parrot that could talk? And do you realize he hasn't opened his mouth yet and—"
"Madam," interrupted the proprietor, "give the poor bird a chance."

CROSSWORD PUZZLE.

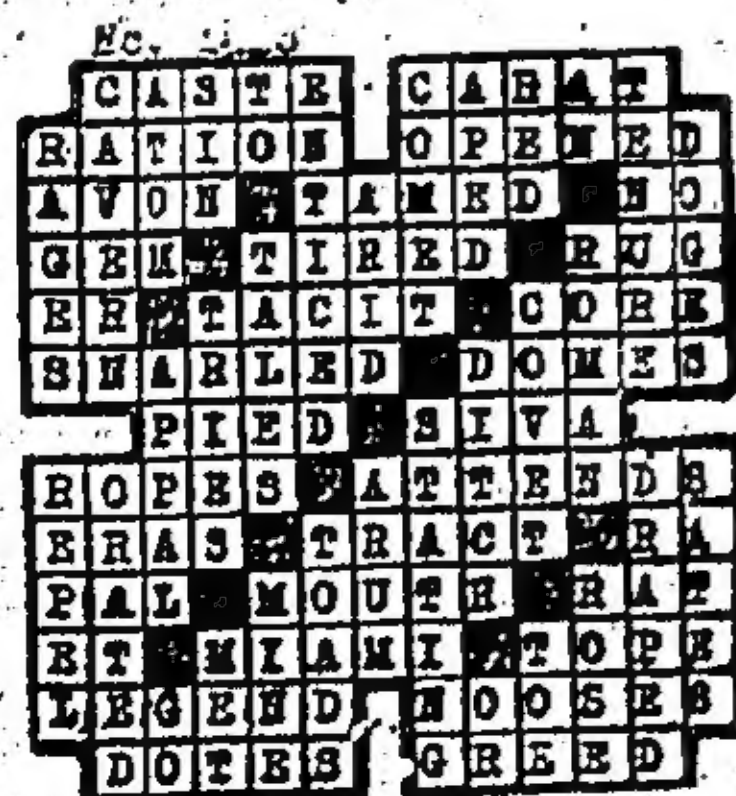


- Horizontal.
- False pretence.
 - Among.
 - Timid.
 - French river.
 - To mislay.
 - Mound.
 - Toward a higher place.
 - To incline.
 - What person.
 - Father.
 - Implement.
 - Song.
 - Released for money.
 - Tidy.
 - Conclusion.
 - To worship.
 - Bodies of water.
 - To depart.
 - Visions.
 - Part of bureau.
 - To perform.
 - Fish's breathing organ.
 - To accuse.
 - Type units.
 - Playthings.
 - Girl's name.
 - Paper measure.
 - Stiffly.
 - Half an em.
 - Furniture vehicle.
 - Separate entry.
 - By.
 - Consumed.
 - At one time.
 - Prefix before.
 - To bow.
 - To throw.
 - Feet.

- Vertical.
- Pronoun.
 - Exclamation.
 - Medicinal plant.
 - Prevaricated.
 - To re-double.
 - Loved greatly.
 - More sorrowful.
 - To haul.
 - Attire.
 - To give out.
 - Transaction.
 - To spill.
 - To grow less.
 - Poems.
 - Rescued.
 - Locations.
 - Mother.
 - Objective of I.
 - Negative.
 - Angry.
 - To spread for drying.
 - Article.
 - Toward.
 - Negative.
 - Compass point.

This puzzle took 24 minutes to solve. See how long it will take you to solve it.

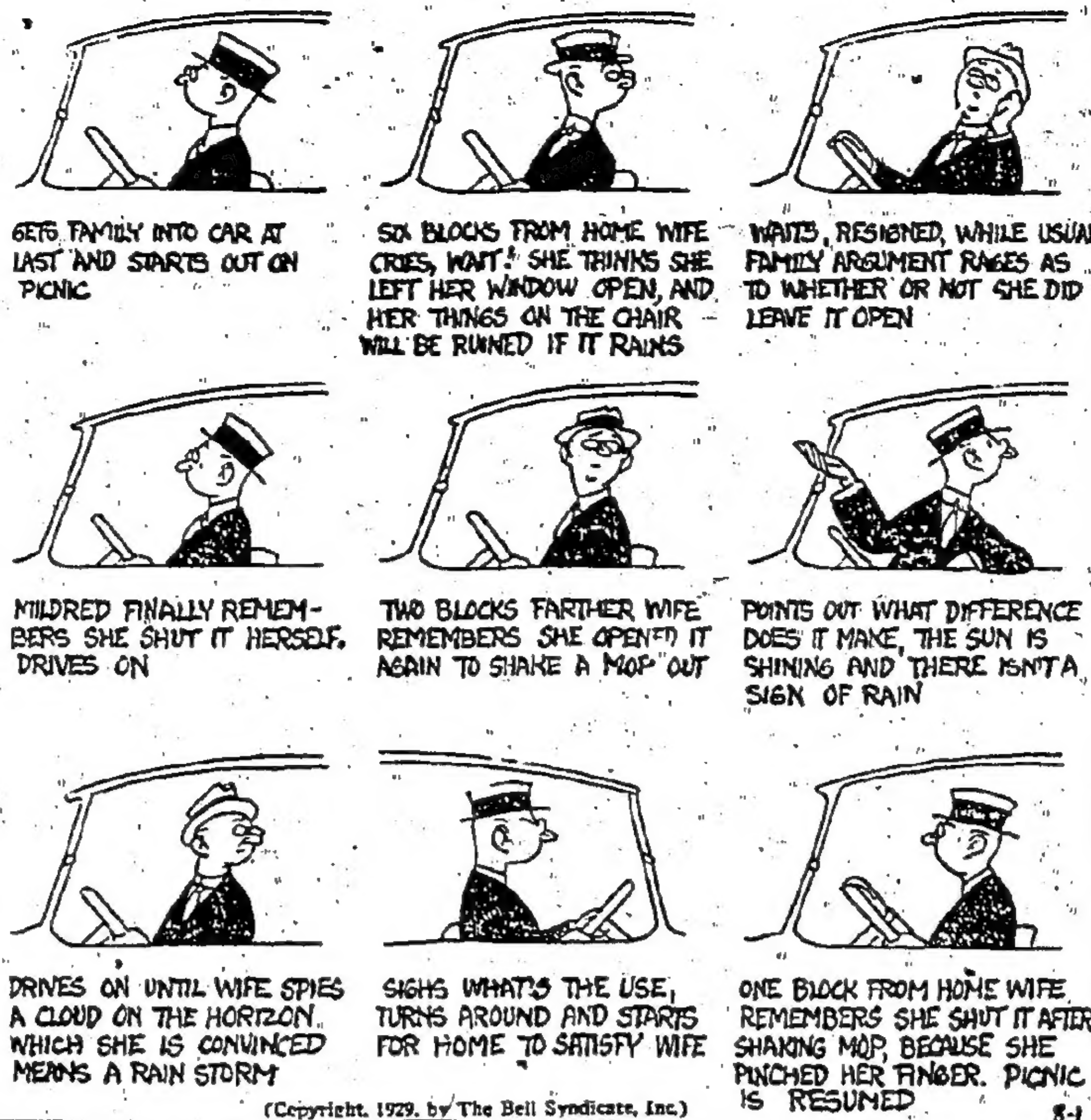
YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



- Vertical.
- French monetary unit.
 - Race course.
 - Like.
 - Went into session.
 - To appportion.
 - Engines.
 - Exists.
 - Meisture.
 - Shop.
 - Male pronoun.
 - Biblical pronoun.

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SPORT AND ATHLETICS.

SMALL MAKES MERRY.

Playing in the inter-oilfields match for the "Rogers Trophy" in South Trinidad, in which some of the cricket "stars" of the colony and a few first-class cricketers from South Africa were seen in action, J. A. Small, the West Indies and Trinidad medium swing bowler, who toured England with the 1923 and 1928 West Indies team, was in great form with the ball and could easily be termed "unplayable." His bowling analysis speaks for itself:—
O. M. R. W.
10 2 28 9.

Small is regarded as a dangerous bowler on matting wickets by eminent English critics, and was held in high esteem in this direction by Lord Harris during the M.C.C. visit to the West Indies a few years ago with Lord Harris as a spectator. Another performance that came in for much praise was the great form shown with the ball by Ray Main-got, who was opposed to Small's team, and whose figures read:
O. M. R. W.
5 1 18 5.

ALL-ENGLAND WOMEN'S HOCKEY ASSOCIATION.

The 34th annual general meeting of the All-England Women's Hockey Association was held at Caxton Hall, Westminster, recently. Miss Edith Thompson, who did not stand for re-election as president, was presented with a number of gifts on her retirement from office. Miss C. J. Gaskell was elected president, and the other officials: Miss V. Cox (vice-president), Miss H. Botham-ley (hon. treasurer), and Miss W. A. Baumann (hon. secretary), together with the auditors, were re-elected. It was stated that the association had presented over £1,000 to the National Playing Fields Association.

EASTERN VICTORIES.

Y. Ohta, the "cupholder," M. E. Wong, and R. Kash all gained victories in the men's singles championship of Hertfordshire at Watford. Ohta, after winning the first set to love, did not have matters all his own way against J. C. Farmer, for the latter was only beaten by 6-0, 4-6, 6-3. Wong defeated T. Lilley in the third set, and Kash disposed of R. B. Wyatt-Smith by 6-0, 8-6.

Remarkable resistance was offered to J. D. Morris—who won the Class B singles at Chiswick Park and Beckenham—by the veteran, the Rev. E. Wells. The latter lost in the eighteenth game of the final set.

WOOLLEY'S RECORDS.

A great stand by Woolley and Hardinge, realising 630 runs in three hours, helped Kent to establish a strong position at Tonbridge against Yorkshire, the home county, at the close of play having 421 on the board for the loss of four wickets. The Yorkshire attack was so completely mastered that runs came with effortless ease.

Woolley enjoyed a most successful day, for, in addition to making his 131 in sparkling style, he accomplished for the first time in his career the feat of making three separate hundreds in successive innings. Only once did he experience any trouble, skying a ball to mid-off when 43. He made the majority of his runs in the early part of his long stay by powerful drives, but later he cut and placed to leg with fine precision.

Hardinge, never quite so free as his partner, played flawless cricket, relying upon neat cuts for most of his 137 runs, sending the ball to the boundary twelve times during a stay of four hours and ten minutes. Ames and Ashdown later put on 92 in an hour and twenty minutes. Ames took many chances, and he hit seven 4's in his 50. Ashdown reached 54 before stumps were drawn.

SWANSEA LOSS.

Dennis Rees, the Swansea Rugby wing three-quarter, has secured an appointment at Ramsgate and will not be available for Swansea next season.

THE WOMAN'S CORNER.

CHOCOLATE IS SO NOURISHING.

Chocolate as a beverage is rather neglected. This is a pity, for it is extremely nourishing and delicious.

To prepare French chocolate, allow one tablet of chocolate and half a pint of milk for each cupful required. Measure half a pint of milk into an enamelled saucepan, and add the amount of chocolate required, broken into small pieces.

Heat the chocolate very gently, stirring all the time, and when it has entirely melted add the remainder of the milk, which should previously be brought to boiling point in another pan. Mix well, boil for three minutes, and serve.

Should this chocolate be found too rich, water may be used for melting purposes instead of milk.

Spanish chocolate is very good, but rather richer than that made in France. Four tablets of chocolate must be used for each cupful required. The melting process is similar to that used in the previous recipe, but instead of stirring with a spoon, a whisk is used.

Boiling milk is added as before, but the boiling-up process should be repeated several times.

The chocolate is then poured into a heated jug, and the whisk is once more briskly used, until the beverage is actually poured, deliciously frothing, into the waiting cup.

Unsweetened chocolate, in tablets, suitable for cooking, may be obtained, but ordinary plain eating chocolate answers the purpose quite well.

TEN RULES FOR WOMEN WHO DRIVE.

(By BETTY ASHMORE.)



Every day countless new women drivers are setting out to try their new cars.

To them these few hints are addressed from a hardened sinner:—

1.—Always make clear—and orthodox—signals when you want to stop or turn, but do not encourage your passengers to give their own version at the same time. Nothing is so confusing as a car that appears to have as its sole occupant a starfish in distress.

2.—Do not choose a block in a busy thoroughfare to pour out the whole story of your life to a sympathetic girl friend; you will probably be lynched.

Do's And Don'ts.

3.—Do not allow your eyes—and your mind—to become riveted by a particularly fascinating model in your favourite dress shop, or your next new garment is likely to be a shroud.

4.—Do not hesitate or change your mind at the last minute. Nothing

is more disorganising to traffic—and dangerous—than a driver who hovers about the road like a wounded bird.

5.—Do learn enough about your car to be able to dispense with extraneous help. You may look very romantic and alluring sitting on a bank with spotless hands and a carefully-powdered nose till a kind-hearted young man comes along, but you are unlikely to send up the stock of women drivers.

6.—On no account imagine that because of your sex you are entitled to more courtesy and consideration than a man. It is this "My place is the centre-of-the-road" attitude which is responsible for so much masculine rancour.

Trust Nobody.

7.—Do wear sensible clothes for motoring. Floppy hats and trailing scarves look as out of place in a car as brogues in a ballroom. Besides, they are very likely to cause an accident.

8.—Never go out without spare tins of oil and petrol, a bottle of distilled water, and a spare plug as well as your ordinary tools; you may be very glad of them some day.

9.—The carburettor is the car's most frequent offender, but it is also the easiest thing to manage, so do learn to take it down and clean it yourself; it will take you five minutes and save you hours.

One golden rule. Trust nobody on the road except yourself. If you expect every driver to be mentally deficient, every child to cross the road, every bicycle to swerve into you, and every dog to be bent on suicide, you will not go far wrong.

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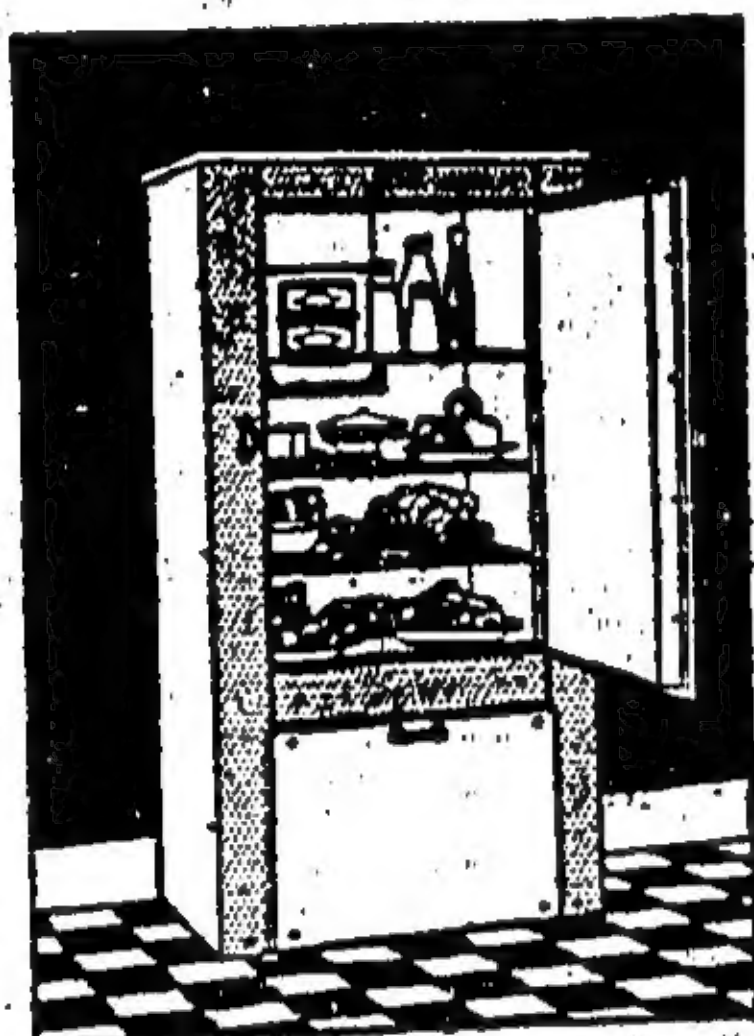
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THE SINO-RUSSIAN DISAGREEMENT.

INFLUENCE OF THE "YOUNG MARSHAL"

CHINESE COMPLAINTS AGAINST RUSSIAN VIOLATION OF AGREEMENT.

[United Press.]

HARBIN, August 18.

All reports to the contrary notwithstanding, the "Young Marshal" of Mukden, Chang Hsueh Liang, is still the real power in Manchuria. Recent events have proved beyond a doubt that the son of Chang Tao Lin is a chip off the old block.

It has been whispered in Chinese circles in Peking and Shanghai for several months past that Marshal Chang was losing his power, and that he was a mere figure-head, with stronger men pulling the wires which determined the direction Manchuria is taking. But these whispers can be safely ignored.

The United Press has learned from a reliable source that Marshal Chang was not responsible for the methods used in reducing the Russian influence in the Chinese Eastern Railway. While he was conferring with General Chiang Kai Shek in Peking, a group in North Manchuria decided to take more drastic action than he had approved, and moved without consulting him.

Not a Figure-head.

But if they had believed the Young Marshal would submit tamely to such action, they had a rude shock. After General Chang had returned to Mukden, he looked over the situation carefully for several days. He got all the facts into his hands. Then he sent accredited representatives to Harbin, with instructions to discipline the unruly group, and negotiate directly with Russia. This was quickly done, with very perceptible results. The Harbin group had continued to provoke Russia, ignoring the Moscow ultimatum. Chang's representatives ordered all such actions stopped, and the atmosphere in Harbin changed overnight.

One man in Harbin has emerged triumphantly from the recent incident. He is Tsai Yung Chung, Commissioner of Foreign Affairs. He protested against the summary action of the Harbin group, and warned them that they would incur the wrath of the Young Marshal, of Moscow, and of the world. Everything he predicted came to pass.

The Real Power.

He has been promptly rewarded by the Young Marshal, being entrusted with all the preliminary negotiations with Russia, and is now the real "power behind the throne" in North Manchuria. It can be safely predicted that all of those responsible for drastic action taken without the Young Marshal's approval will be further disciplined as the weeks pass. Like his father, General Chang does not forget such things.

It has also been definitely established by recent events that the Young Marshal has the full support of General Chang Tao Hsiang, the Military Governor of Kirin Province, and an old friend of Chang Tao Lin. This general is the most able militarist in Manchuria, and his support means much. He has stood consistently behind the Young Marshal in recent events, and observers here believe that he will continue to do so.

CHINESE DEFENCE OF DRASTIC ACTION.

Five years of continuous violation by the Soviet Russians of the Chinese Eastern Railway agreement signed at Mukden and Peking in 1924 led up to the crisis which resulted in Soviet officials being discharged summarily by the Chinese, La Yung Hwang, President of the Railway, informed the United Press in an interview in his offices in Harbin.

Mr. Lu is a lawyer by profession, and he has been connected with the railway continuously for five years, three years as Director and two years as President. He has sometimes been called a figure-head,

dominated by the Russians, but he gives a very different impression to an American observer. He has the facts concerning the railway at his tongue's end, and submitted willingly to a barrage of questions.

"No one can say the Chinese did not try to obtain their rights in the railway by peaceful means before they were compelled to take more drastic action," declared Mr. Lu. "We have tried for five years to persuade the Russians to give us our fair share in management of the railway, based on the Mukden Agreement, but matters have steadily grown worse."

Abortive Negotiations.

"At first, we tried negotiations between the Governments of China and Russia, but we got nowhere. Then we tried negotiations between the Russian and Chinese high officials of the railway, with no success. Finally, the Soviet general manager of the railway, H. Enusnoff, declared openly that he would not even discuss the matter with us any more. Then we knew that some drastic action was imperative."

The raid on the Soviet Consulate in Harbin was the result, Mr. Lu declared, and the documents obtained proved beyond a doubt that Soviet officials in the railway and the Consulate were deliberately plotting not only to dominate the railway, but to conspire against the Chinese State. These documents, Mr. Lu said, will be presented before an international commission, if desired.

The Mukden Agreement is not at fault, Mr. Lu averred, as the railway could be operated very efficiently under this agreement if the Soviet officials would forget politics and regard the railway as a purely economic venture, which is provided in the 1924 Agreement.

Even after the break with Russia, Mr. Lu said, there are 1,000 more Russian employees of the railway than there are Chinese, although the Agreement stipulates an equal number of each. Moreover, he said, with only one exception all the high posts which have fallen vacant during the past two years have been given to Russians. Despite Moscow's diplomatic break, Mr. Lu said the railway still employs 12,000 Russians, with Soviet passports.

Alleged Russian Discrimination.

The Soviet general manager of the railway has openly encouraged the Communist Labour Unions, Mr. Lu said, and ignored Chinese protests against this. Moreover, Mr. Lu said, the Russians have bought Russian oil exclusively for the line, discriminating against American and British bidders, and have bought Russian cement, although the Chinese make very good cement right in Harbin.

Mr. Lu made it very clear that the former Soviet officials have so behaved that they will not be welcomed back in China, although he emphasized that the Chinese had never intended to seize Russian rights in the railway, which always have been held open. But if the railway is to be operated efficiently, he asserted that the Russians must forget politics and propaganda, and conduct the line as a straight business venture.

ALLEGED DEATH BLOW.

Thomas Walter Robinson, aged twenty-five, a labourer, of Andrew street, Silvertown, was remanded on bail at West Ham Police Court accused of the manslaughter of his father.

Detective-Inspector Mulholland stated that on Sunday he saw Robinson at North Woolwich Police Station and said: "I have seen the body of your father at Andrew street. Witnesses say they saw you strike him a blow in the face with your fist late last night. You will be charged with manslaughter."

Robinson replied: "I have nothing to fear."

CROWN LAND SALES.

TWO PRINCE EDWARD ROAD SITES.

At the Crown Land Office yesterday afternoon four lots of land were sold by public auction. The first lot, Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2202, situated in Prince Edward Road between Tung Choi Street and Fa Yuen Street, was sold to Mr. Tam Chuk Fan of 739, Nathan Road, for \$30,800. The upset price was \$21,938. The land has an area of about 9,750 sq. feet and its annual rental is \$112.

The second lot known as Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2210 with an area of about 20,567 sq. feet was sold to Messrs. Chung Yik Hing, Chiu Shan and Ho Siu Woon of 17, Mow Lum Street, at the upset price of \$41,134. The land is situated in Prince Edward Road between Tong Mi Road and Canton Road and has an annual rental of \$236.

Inland Lot No. 2213 situated at Wong Nei Chong was purchased by Mr. Wing Siu Hing and Mrs. Wong Siu San of 3, Village Road, for \$9,400. The upset price was \$7,920. It has an area of about 1,880 sq. feet and its annual rental is \$12.

Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2211 which was the last lot offered was sold to Mr. Lee He of 313, Lai-chi-kok Road, for \$7,500. The upset price was \$6,485. It is situated at Nathan Road, Mong Kok Teui, and has an area of about 2,592 sq. feet. The annual rental is \$24.

FORMER RIVER PATROL VESSEL SOLD.

The steam launch Dom Jojo was sold yesterday at the Lambers Auction Rooms. The upset price was \$7,000 and the launch was eventually knocked down to Mr. Kwok Ho Tong of No. 32, Lee Yuen Street East, for \$7,100.

The Dom Jojo was at one time the H.M.S. Nessus, her length being 91.5 feet and breadth 19 feet. Her gross tonnage is 93.88 and net tonnage of 47.77, her speed being nine knots and draft seven feet.

"A BUSINESS ACQUAINTANCE."

ONE WAY OF RAISING THE WIND.

Mr. G. Komor, of the well-known firm of Komor & Komor, has reported an extraordinary story to the police which shows the ingenuity with which some people will expend in order to get a small sum.

One afternoon last week a Chinese man of respectable appearance came into the shop and asked for Mr. Komor. Mr. George Komor answered that his father was in Japan. The stranger then explained himself. He was, he said, a business acquaintance of Mr. Komor, senior, his own father having a curio shop in Shanghai. It was clear from what he said that he at least knew Mr. Komor by sight. He had, he said, been robbed in a hotel and had come to ask Mr. Komor to telegraph his own father in Shanghai.

Mr. G. Komor agreed to send the wire, which the man wrote out in his presence, asking his father to send \$300 care of Komor & Komor. He would, he said, look in the next day for his money and refund the cost of the wire. Then, only, he asked for ready cash, the modest sum of \$3 to pay for a night's lodging. This he got and left the shop with many expressions of gratitude.

The following day Mr. G. Komor received the following notice from the Great Northern Telegraph Co.: "Shanghai notices the non-delivery of your telegram of even date the address being insufficient."

He did not receive a visit from the "business acquaintance," or a refund of either the \$2.80 spent on the wire or the "loan" of \$3.

WOMAN'S TRAGIC DELUSION.

FEAR OF PURSUIT BY THE POLICE.

A verdict of "Suicide while of unsound mind" was returned at the inquest on Elsie May Westwood, of Soho, Birmingham, aged thirty-three, who, it was stated, poured paraffin over herself and set fire to it because she thought the police were pursuing her.

A neighbour stated that, while still conscious, Mrs. Westwood said to her: "I thought the police were after me. That's why I did it."

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ARSON, SEDITION, AND UPSETS IN INDIA.

GRAVITY OF RECENT EVENTS EXAGGERATED.

IS INDIA OF VERY RELIGIOUS PERSUASION?

[By H. E. BALEY.]

[United Press.]

Government Unperturbed.

Calcutta, August 2.—While the political situation in India shows no signs of improving, the recent reports of the spread of revolutionary activity are apt to create the impression abroad that India is on the verge of a rebellion. What are the materials on which such a theory is based?

The new trouble started with the murder of a police official at Lahore, which was followed by the wholesale arrest of Communist agents. Then came the bomb outrage in the Legislative Assembly, and the subsequent discovery of several bomb factories in various towns of Northern India.

In addition there has been the almost daily appearance of "Red" letters with threats to murder magistrates, officials, editors—in fact all and sundry who stand in the way of complete severance of the British connection. The Movement has now taken a new turn, for several mysterious fires have occurred in the State railway workshops at Lahore.

Offices Destroyed.

Offices have been destroyed by fire, and in one case a determined attempt was made to set fire to a train. A notice posted at the workshops and signed by "One desirous of Complete Independence" confesses to the commission of these acts, and hints at further attempts to destroy more railway property.

Curiously, Bengal, usually the storm centre of any terrorist conspiracy, has so far been free from any serious trouble.

Under such conditions it is not surprising to hear the Anglo-Indian Press calling for a more resolute Government, and the European population demanding drastic action to stamp out the "Red" peril.

Judged in their true perspective the recent events are not invested with any extraordinary significance, and India is no more on the verge of rebellion than any European country. Murder in India, with its teeming population of nearly four hundred millions of many castes and creeds is in normal times more common than in Chicago, and crimes of violence against persons and property are unhappily regarded by public opinion in a less serious light than under Western civilization.

So far the Government is apparently unperturbed by the recent outbursts of violence, and refuses to adopt panic measures to deal with what after all is now new situation.

The terrorist movement with its frequent outburst of violence is merely a passing phase, and can have little or no effect on the political future of the country. India is a new country in political ideas, and is engaged in the struggle for political and economic freedom. Throughout the length and breadth of the land there is much discontent largely due to the appalling poverty of the people. Whether India is being wisely led in the fight for freedom history alone will show, but it is certain she will win no measure of self-government by means of the terrorist movements.

Far more serious for the Ruling Powers are the threats of civil disobedience and the anti-British boycott campaign sponsored by such responsible leaders as Gandhi. Non-co-operation and civil disobedience can be made very real dangers, and could certainly be made more effective in any attempt to drive Britain out of India than any display of armed forces.

Stormy Leaders.

Certain Indian leaders are losing no opportunity to inspire the masses to a hatred of everything British, and the effect of the anti-boycott campaign has already had a detrimental effect in the British and Continental piece-goods trade. The Swarni Party are consistently pursuing their policy of wrecking dynarchy, and in two Provinces—Bengal and the Central Provinces—the Reforms have been rendered unworkable.

During the coming months agitation and turmoil are likely to increase, and there will be "thunder in the air" until India's aspirations for complete self-government are satisfied, which will not be in this decade.

Domestic Status, to which Britain is pledged, must come first, but when it has been granted there will still remain in India an ever-growing party pledged to carry on the fight for complete independence. India's progress along this path is likely to be a long and painful one. Freedom will not be won with the sword, and it will be a bad day if it comes before the people and leaders have demonstrated their fitness to govern.

WAR FEVER IN CANTON.

STIMULATED BY LEADERS.

ACTIVE ANTI-RUSSIAN PROPAGANDA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, Aug. 19. The anti-Soviet propaganda campaign continues unabated. General Chen Ming Shu, Chairman of the Provincial Government, gave a lengthy speech before the Kwangtung mechanics on "the recent Sino-Russian negotiations and the danger of the Soviet Government." The General vehemently denounced the part which Russia had played during the Sino-Russian agreement of 1924 had been repeatedly violated.

General Chen Tsai Tong has, on paper, announced, placed an order for 10,000 military maps of the area concerned, with a foreign firm, the goods to be delivered within a month at Canton Military Headquarters.

LABOUR UNIONS BELLIGERENT.

On Sunday the Kwangtung General Labour Union arranged a big meeting of the different labour organisations to discuss the Sino-Russian situation. Some 25 unions were represented including the Tea House Workers' Union, the Stone Workers' Union, the Painters' Union, and the Cattle Slaughterers' Union. Orators from the local Kuomintang Headquarters addressed the delegates, calling for action in view of the critical situation in Manchuria. They pointed out that the organised workers must be on guard not only against Soviet Russia, but also against the machinations of the Chinese Communists.

After some discussion the following resolutions were passed:—1. That the labour unions in Canton should organise an army of labourers to help with the work of transportation in case a Sino-Russian war should break out; 2. That a telegram be sent to the Central Government urging it to declare war on Soviet Russia.

The Committee on Russian Affairs, composed largely of high officials of the Provincial Government, will hold another meeting in the Canton Foreign Office on Wednesday to discuss present and past phases of Sino-Russian relations.

"REDS" ROUTED.

SHARP FIGHTING IN NORTHERN KWANGTUNG.

A telegram from the northern border of Kwangtung announces that the Reds under Chu Tak and Mo Chuk Tung have been driven out of Yungting with heavy loss and the Cantonese forces are hot on the trail of the defeated rabble.

WAYWARD OFFICIAL MOTORISTS.

CANTON'S CHIEF CONSTABLE COMPLAINS.

General Au Yang Kui, Head of the Canton Bureau of Public Safety, recently addressed a communication to the Military Headquarters and the Provincial Government, in which he reports that the drivers of many automobiles employed by officers of the various military and administrative departments habitually disobey traffic regulations. He alleges that these cars display no licence plates, are frequently driven at high speeds, and travel on roads that are prohibited to motor traffic. He further complains that these drivers take no notice of directions from the police officers.

The Police Chief goes on to request that strict orders be given by the respective officers that all drivers must observe the municipal traffic regulations. Licences should be applied for, both for the driver and for the car, while the practice of sticking a small pennant at the front of the car should be stopped. —Canton Gazette.

TROUBLE ON THE "EMPRESS."

CREW PAID OFF.

AGITATORS MAKE TROUBLE.

Interviewed about the trouble aboard the C.P.R. liner Empress of Russia, Mr. Alan Cameron, the Oriental Manager, said that for the last two days the Company's representatives have been negotiating with the men's leaders and a large number of concessions had been made. Further demands of an unreasonable nature were pressed out by the Company having stated the limit to which they would go refused to discuss the matter further.

"We have now paid off the whole Chinese crew of 350," said Mr. Cameron.

"But we are re-signing on all who are willing to accept our terms. The seamen and firemen are perfectly contented and the trouble has been confined to the saloon 'boys.' A number of agitators, at least one of them an old hand at the game, have been busy and they have made the trouble. The Company considers its staff in every way and place very great value on its Chinese staff. They give us good service and many have been with us for years and are staying on now.

"There was nothing for it but to take the line we have done and we had a number of police on board this (Monday) morning to see it all went off smoothly—and it did.

"One of the troubles," added Mr. Cameron, "was a private dispute of their own between the old Seamen's Union and the present union recognised by the Government and the shipping firms. But that is their concern."

MRS. GIBSON'S ACCIDENT.

RICKSHA STRUCK BY BUS.

Only having just recovered from a serious illness, Mrs. J. Gibson, of 10, Humphreys Avenue, Kowloon, was returning in a ricksha, in company with her husband, from the K.C.C. concert late on Saturday evening and was proceeding along Nathan Road, when a bus belonging to the China Motor Bus Co. collided with the rear of the vehicle in which Mrs. Gibson was riding.

The unfortunate lady was thrown heavily from the ricksha and sustained injuries to her head and leg. She was taken home and a doctor was summoned, medical examination showing that, in addition to her injuries, Mrs. Gibson was suffering from shock.

In view of the severity of the illness from which she was convalescent, much concern was felt regarding her condition. Inquiries made by the Daily Press yesterday, however, elicited the information that the injured lady is progressing fairly favourably.

SUICIDES IN CANTON.

POISONS USED TO BE KEPT SECRET.

In a communication to the Bureau of Public Health, the Canton Municipal Council condemns the practice of the various local hospitals in giving publicity to the nature of the poisons used in cases of suicide. An order has been given prohibiting hospital authorities from divulging particulars of the poisons that are used by victims in all cases of suicide, as it is held that the dissemination of such information injurious to public morals; it serves no useful purpose and merely informs the general public of ways and means of taking life. —Canton Gazette.

CANTON'S GIFT FOR FAMINE RELIEF.

NANKING PUTS IT AT \$350,000.

The Central Government has earmarked \$350,000 worth of bonds out of a total issue of \$3,000,000, to be Canton's contribution to the Famine Relief Funds. The bonds have been ready for some time and Canton has not delegated any one to take over these bonds, the Central Government is reported to have turned them over to Mr. Sun Fo, the Minister of Railways, who is expected to arrive very shortly in Canton.

Mr. Sun Fo's visit is in connection with the meeting of the Chung Shan Political Committee. After staying in his native district for a week, Mr. Sun will come to Canton. —Canton Gazette.

BRIBERY TRIAL.

POLICE SERGEANT AND A \$50 NOTE.

JUDGE DISAGREES WITH THE JURY'S VERDICT.

At the Criminal Sessions yesterday, the Police Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) expressed his disagreement with a verdict of "guilty" brought in by the jury on a bribery charge.

Mr. Somerset Fitzroy (Assistant Attorney-General) prosecuted for the Crown, and Mr. Leo d'Almada, jnr. (instructed by Mr. Leo d'Almada, snr.) defended the accused, Lung Chik Wah, who was charged with offering a bribe of \$50 to Lance-Sergeant McLeod when being taken to the Police Station with opium in his possession.

Outlining his case, Mr. Fitzroy said that on July 16 a motor-car in which the accused was travelling as the only passenger was stopped by Sergeant McLeod. Beside the passenger was a parcel, which on examination was found to contain opium. Sergeant McLeod then entered the car and ordered the driver to proceed to the Central Police Station, but on the way it was alleged that the accused offered \$50 as a bribe.

Replying to His Lordship, Mr. Fitzroy said that there were 23 tins of opium, for possession of which the accused was fined \$220 at the Magistrate's Court. He added that when the accused was charged with the offence he denied that he offered the money to the officer.

Sergeant McLeod stated in evidence that when the note was placed under his hand he drew it away and put it into his other hand, whereupon the accused said "No, no." Witness understood accused to be asking him not to take him to the Police Station, but he did not think accused was asking him not to take the note.

Sergt. McLeod Cross-examined.

Cross-examined by Mr. d'Almada, witness said that he stopped the car because it was going rather fast and he was also on the look-out in connection with an armed robbery.

Mr. d'Almada put it to witness that when he started to search, accused said in Chinese: "You needn't search me. I will bring out all I have." He then brought to light certain articles, including the notes.

Sergt. McLeod denied this, saying he did not want to search accused. If he had desired to do so, he would have searched him when outside the bank. He did not see handkerchief in accused's hand.

Mr. d'Almada: Is it true that immediately after you had taken the note he tried to get it back? The depositions were referred to, it being recorded that witness had said: "Immediately after he passed it (the note) over he tried to get it back."

Sergt. McLeod explained that they both had a grip on the note, and he (witness) pulled it away. His Lordship further pointed out that witness had said in the depositions that he did not know why accused tried to snatch the note from him (witness).

Sergt. McLeod replied that when he pulled the note, he pulled the accused's hand with it.

Mr. d'Almada: So really he did not want to let it go—I don't know. He allowed me to take it after I had pulled it.

Witness, replying to another suggestion, said he would not say there was a slight struggle.

Flimsy Evidence on which to Convict.

In summing up His Lordship said that the accused was probably expecting to be searched and there was therefore great room for misunderstanding. At any rate, accused took more from his pocket than he was alleged to have offered to Sergt. McLeod. The question they had to decide was whether the sergeant was mistaken when he supposed the money was being offered as a bribe. If the offer was made, it was clearly repented of immediately afterwards, as accused protested and said "No, no." Of course, if the offer was made and repented of, the repentance did not clear accused's view, added His Lordship, it was most flimsy evidence on which to convict.

The jury having brought in a verdict of "guilty" after a short retirement, His Lordship said: "I do not wish to comment unfavourably upon your verdict. It is not my impression, and I wish to dissociate myself from your verdict."

Addressing the accused, His Lordship said that the jury had found him guilty and it was his duty to accept that verdict. The sentence of the Court would be a fine of \$200.

ROUND THE COURTS.

ROULETTE POOL FOR POOR BOX.

A Chinese who was arrested organising a game of roulette with a few packets of cigarettes as prizes for the winners, was charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday. Ninety-three cents were found on the ground and there were a large number of players around him.

His Worship fined the defendant and ordered the 93 cents to be put into the Poor Box.

POULTRY AND BRUTES.

A Chinese was arrested for swinging a chicken around his head by a string tied to its legs.

His Worship: What on earth did you do that for?—I am a new-comer!

His Worship: Well, you need not have celebrated your arrival here by swinging a chicken round your head? Fined \$7.

Two other Chinese were found carrying fowls by their wings. Mr. Whyte Smith fined them \$5 each and remarked that he did not know which was the more cruel, to carry a chicken by the wings or to swing it over the head by the legs.

A Chinese woman was charged with cramming 58 ducks into a single crate without a mat. Two were stated to have died in transit. She was fined \$10.

YOUNG HOUSE-BREAKER.

A Chinese lad, aged 18, pleaded guilty before Mr. Whyte Smith to stealing some clothing and a wrist watch from three different addresses. Detective Sergeant Fowle told His Worship that the defendant climbed into the houses up the drain pipe and then through the window. There were two others in the gang whom he had failed to arrest.

His Worship imposed a sentence of six weeks' hard labour on each of the three charges.

LOITERERS ON STAIRCASE.

Two Chinese were before Mr. Whyte Smith with loitering with intent to commit a larceny.

The first defendant, age 19, was found on the staircase of No. 2, Cheung Lok Street. In reply to the charge he said that he went there to steal a pair of trousers. His record showed two previous convictions in 1928. He said that he had been a "boy" in the employ of Mr. Kelly in Granville Road.

His Worship sentenced him to one month's hard labour. The other defendant who was found on the staircase of No. 2, Jordan Road, said that he had gone there to steal a pipe. This defendant also had two previous convictions and his Worship imposed a sentence of three months' hard labour.

NO LENIENCY FOR SNATCHERS.

In defending a Chinese youth charged with bag snatching yesterday, Mr. J. T. Prior, of Wilkinson & Grist, pleaded for leniency from Mr. E. W. Hamilton on the score that his client was young and succumbed to a moment of temptation. To send such a man to jail might make a criminal of him.

His Worship said that bag snatching seemed to be getting worse and worse and the least sentence he could pass was one of six months' hard labour and twelve strokes of the birch.

The defendant pleaded guilty to a charge of snatching a hand-bag from a Chinese lady who was admiring the contents of a jeweller's show window at West Point. The defendant came up from behind and with a quick jerk relieved her of her property. An Indian constable was responsible for the snatcher's arrest.

FIGHTING WITH A HATCHET.

Convicted on a charge of assaulting a shroff, a Chinese who used a hatchet as a weapon was sentenced to one month's hard labour and ordered to pay \$10 compensation by Mr. T. M. Hazelrigg.

The assault took place in June last, but the delay in the proceedings were due to the absence of complainant in the country. Complainant went to the defendant's shop to collect an outstanding account, and stated that the defendant was egged on by others in the shop to make the assault.

In passing sentence His Worship stated that he must take a serious view of an action which might have ended in defendant being charged with murder.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TUNG WAH HOSPITAL APPEAL.

(TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS.")

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Chairman of Directors,
Tung Wah Hospital,
Hong Kong, August 19.

AN APPEAL TO CHINESE READERS.

(TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS.")

Sir,—On Sunday at 6.25 p.m. two military horses stamped along Chatham Road and around the turning into Middle Road, at full gallop.

A Chinese gentleman riding a bicycle through Middle Road toward Chatham Road saw the horses approaching at a high speed, and dismounted, possibly to avoid being knocked off his machine.

One horse stumbled and fell, and the other rolled over it in the mad race toward the open space in Middle Road.

If this letter meets the eye of the Chinese gentleman to whom I refer, I should be glad if he would send a report of this affair to the Hon. Secretary, Kowloon Residents' Association, Kowloon.

Thanking you for your courtesy in publishing this letter.—Yours, etc.,

SCARED.

Hong Kong, August 19.

V.R.C. INEFFICIENCY.

(TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS.")

Sir,—I wonder if the unobservant eyes of the inefficient Committee of the V.R.C. read the very excellent criticisms which appeared in your paper last Saturday headed: "Under the Pankah?"

The chances are they did not, as they seem to observe nothing except what suits them.

I thoroughly agree with your correspondent's remarks apropos the seating accommodation on gala swimming nights. To pay a good dollar and a half to sit for three hours in utter discomfort through lack of space, and jammed between the knees of the spectator behind, while your own knees were probably entangled with the head or shoulders of the man or woman in front, is really putting it mildly.

But what can you expect from the V.R.C., who for the past seventy years have been squatting on Government ground, with no encumbrances yet, when asked for the use of their swimming-tank during the Colony's recent terribly distressing water-crisis days, had the audacity, so I understand, to suggest such a high rental for the use of their tank that it was not accepted? It is a pity the Government did not commandeer it.

Have you examined the Club's "innerde"—have you seen its equipment, and above all, have you seen that "utility device" still propped up on the main verandah in full view of anyone (ladies included) passing in front of the Club in yachts or steam launches?

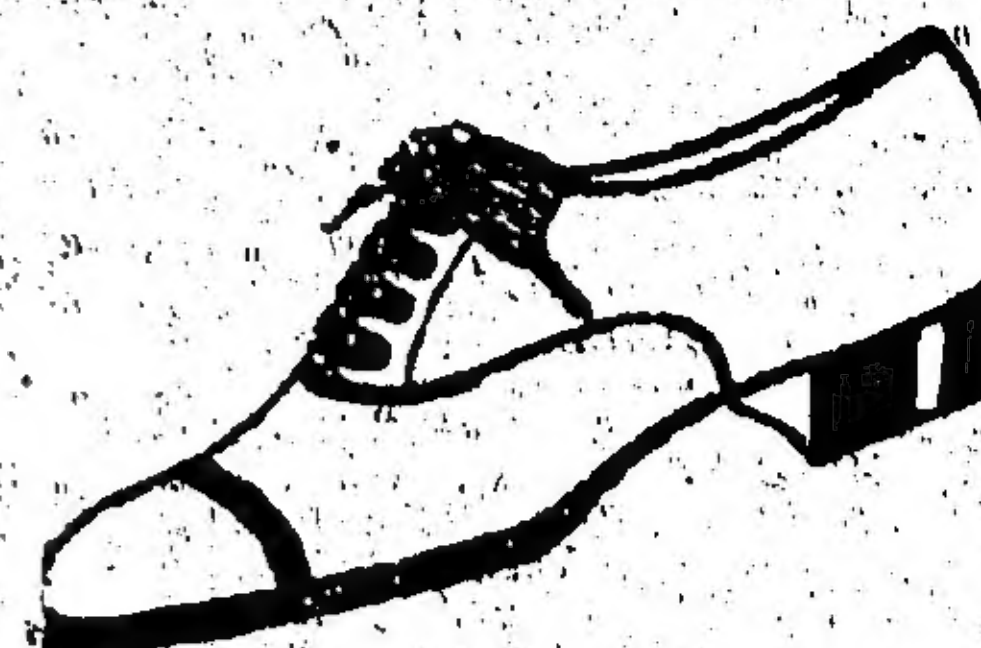
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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 6.35 p.m., stated:—

A weak anticyclone is central over S. Japan. A deep depression east situated in the gulf of Tongking. It appears to be moving slowly westward.

Local Forecast:—S.E. winds, moderate to fresh, cloudy, showery.

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INDIA AND THE LABOUR GOVERNMENT.

THE return of the Labour Party to power has aroused little or no enthusiasm in India, and if the comments of the Nationalist Press are any criterion the leaders of the Swaraj (Home Rule) movement have little hope that their demands will receive more sympathetic consideration than they did from the Conservative "Cabinet" with Lord BIRKENHEAD at the head of the India Office. It has been said that "India's eyes are turned at this hour of her trial towards a Labour Government in Britain," but a very salutary corrective of that opinion is to be found in a close study of what many Indian leaders and Indian-owned papers have been saying since Mr. RAMSAY MACDONALD accepted the Premiership.

The occasion has been made the opportunity to recall Mr. MACDONALD's many protestations of sympathy with India's aspirations for self-government in the past, and emphasis has been laid on the fact that when Labour first came into power in 1924 the Premier, during his short spell of office, made no move to deal with the Indian problem. The gradual evolution of Labour as a political party in England had certainly raised hopes in some quarters that progress along the lines of self-government would be accelerated in India, but the present Labour Party's Colonial and Imperial policy, coupled with the fact that the present Labour leaders gave support to the Simon Commission appointed by Lord BIRKENHEAD, has led to the realisation that the present Government's attitude towards India will differ very little from that of its predecessor.

The omission of any reference to India in the Government's immediate programme is also regarded as an ominous sign, and with Mr. LLOYD GEORGE and Sir JOHN SIMON as allies of the Government and holding the balance of power in the House of Commons, whatever hope certain leaders may have secretly cherished in the return of Labour to power seems to have finally disappeared. *Liberty*, the chief organ of the Swaraj Party, has indulged in a bitter attack on Mr. MACDONALD, and believes that all the political parties in England, while differing in many things, are fully in accord in their policy towards India. "Labour will not want to make any departure from Britain's traditional policy towards India."

It has been whispered in Parliamentary Labour circles that "a suitable gesture that will meet the wishes of the Indian leaders will be made to enable them to come to Westminster." How far these rumours are true time alone can show. "Indian leaders," says *Liberty* in an editorial comment, "have made their position perfectly clear. The time for vague declarations and mysterious whispers is gone. It is now for British Labour leaders to declare openly and boldly whether they are prepared to accept the principles underlying the Simon report and open negotiations with Indian leaders to settle the details. All stupid talk about 'common front' and 'trusteeship' must be thrown to the winds."

India is anxious for a peaceful settlement, but she is not prepared to surrender her right of self-determination. A frank admission of this right is the only gesture to which Indian leaders will be prepared to respond."

Mr. MACDONALD certainly sprang a big surprise upon India in appointing Captain WOODROW BENN as the new Secretary of State, or, as the Indian Press sarcastically call the position, "the gilded office of the Great Moghul of Whitehall." In filling a key position with a man who has little or no experience of India, the Premier to say the least has made a bold experiment, and for the present the most that can be said of the appointment is that Captain WOODROW BENN will bring a fresh view to a task that demands clear thought as well as a large measure of sympathy. It is believed that the new India Secretary possesses both.

In recent years the influence of Whitehall upon India has been diminishing, and the introduction of the Reforms has gradually moved the centre of gravity eastwards. This appears to be all for the ultimate good of India, especially while such a man as Lord IRWIN occupies the Viceroyalty. In social and economic matters Lord IRWIN is far more advanced in his ideas than probably many extremists in India realise, and even Nationalist leaders are ready to pay tribute to his sincere desire to help forward India's advance along constitutional lines. While there will always remain a school of politics in India striving for complete severance of the British connection, there is on the other a big body of moderate opinion willing to co-operate with Britain, provided the demand for full Dominion Status is not too long delayed.

The report of the SIMON Commission when presented will be a momentous document, and it is very unlikely that the big turn-over of votes in favour of Labour will have any influence on the findings of the Commission. Despite the apparent obstinacy of Indian leaders to accept nothing less than complete independence, and the determination to embark on a campaign of non-co-operation and civil disobedience if the demand is not granted by the end of the present year, the outlook is not altogether hopeless. Perhaps Lord IRWIN will succeed in persuading Indian politicians to give Labour full opportunity to fulfil Britain's pledge to grant India full Dominion Status in the Commonwealth of the British Empire.

News and Views.

A case of plague (Chinese) was reported during the week-end from Victoria. Three cases of enteric, all Chinese, were also notified during the same period.

The 42nd annual general meeting of members of the Hong Kong Football Club will be held in the board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, August 23, at 5.30 p.m.

Ma Shih Tsang, the well-known Canton actor, who was recently wounded in a bomb outrage, has come to Hong Kong for treatment and is at the French Hospital. The bomb exploded at the actor's feet and both legs were very severely injured.

The long-expected pronouncement by the Bishop of St. Albans on Sunday games, a subject that is engrossing the Church more and more as the diocese becomes suburbanised, has been made. The Bishop says:—"I have never been able to agree with the people who say it is wrong to play games on Sunday. I cannot for the life of me see there is any difference in principle between going for a walk on Sunday, and occasionally lifting a stone with the end of one's stick, and playing games such as tennis, cricket, football, or golf." "At the same time," adds the Bishop, "we are not justified in robbing anyone of his Sunday rest to enter for our amusement or recreation."

Among the passengers who passed through Hong Kong on the N.Y.K. European liner *Haruna-maru*, which arrived from Europe on Sunday and left for Japan yesterday, was Mrs. Edith Woodrow Wilson, widow of Mr. Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States from 1912-1918. Mrs. Wilson, accompanied by Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Teasler and family, and Miss Lade, intends to visit Nanking and Peking if travel conditions in China permit, and after a long stay in Japan will return home in October.

The French cruiser *Waldeck Rousseau* left Hong Kong yesterday for Tsingtao. Admiral Moujet's flagship has not enjoyed the best of luck with regard to weather and the visit was also marred by the death of one of the crew from enteric. It was this case which gave rise to a rumour that an epidemic had broken out on board the ship. The French sailors have won general admiration by their orderly behaviour when on leave and it is hoped that the *Waldeck Rousseau* will pay many more visits, under better weather conditions, to the Colony.

A lecture on the "Project" method of education practised in the Frances Parker School, Chicago, was given by Miss Flora Cooke, Principal of the School, at Essex Hall, London, recently. Miss Cooke said that this was a method of "education through purposeful activity," and it was undoubtedly the best in bringing out the individuality of children. It found the opening in a child's nature that ultimately led to success. There were several grades, from infancy onwards, and in four years there had not been a single failure in examinations for admission into colleges.

The Kidnapper's Reward.

Kidnappers are as busy in Canton as in this Colony. Recently a well-to-do brewer lost his only son, a youngster of six, who simply vanished as though bewitched. A few days later a respectable dressed and well-spoken man came to the grief-stricken father and told him that he had found a child corresponding to the printed description of the lost boy wandering about the back streets of Canton. The man duly produced the child and the father gave him \$100 and promised future help and favours. There is, however, no need to redeem these promises for as soon as the rescuer was out of earshot the child explained that he had been lured to a strange house by the man and detained there.

Navy Week at Portsmouth.

Navy week at Portsmouth opened on August 17 and has two novel features in the programme. One is H.M.S. *Nelson* placed on exhibition as if she were only a model and not one of our biggest battle-ships. To secure this effect the *Nelson* is dry-docked. Special gangways enable spectators to walk down to the dock bottom and there pass right under the ship. By climbing up the gangways again people will be able to go aboard the *Nelson* and see the inside of her. Thus they will have an opportunity of inspecting our smartest battleship inside and out. The other novelty is the throwing open to visitors of two aircraft carriers that have all their machines in them. Previously no one has been allowed in an aircraft carrier unless she was empty. This is the first time for the general public to see the extremely interesting sight of how a floating aircraft base looks when fully equipped for service. Many other attractions have been arranged, including the never-failing one of a dive into the mysterious, machinery-packed interiors of submarines to get a weird peep at the upper world through their periscopes.

Plymouth Navy Week.

Some of the most famous ships of the British Navy will be "open" to visitors to Plymouth during Navy Week—also held in the week beginning August 17. Visitors will be admitted to the Royal Naval Barracks from 1 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. The charge for admission will be 1s. each for adults and 6d. for children under fourteen years of age. The proceeds will be devoted to the Royal Naval and Royal Marine charities. The vessels on view include the Navy's "beauty queen," *Renown*, which has the most perfect lines of any ship afloat and was chosen to take the Prince of Wales on his ceremonial visits to Canada, New Zealand, Australia, and the West Indies; and also the India and Japan. *Rodney*, the newest and most powerful battleship in the world, which with one salvo from her nine sixteen-inch guns can hurl projectiles weighing approximately nine tons at a target twenty miles distant, will also be on view, together with the cruiser *Tiger*, of Jutland fame.

Electricity is being installed in a large number of small houses in Hull on special terms conceded by the corporation. The installation is done by a contractor whom the corporation pay. The tenant then has the option of repaying the corporation in three ways—instalments over ten years, or five years, or a small additional sum for each unit consumed. More than 1,500 houses have been equipped with electricity under this scheme. Many of them have not previously had even gas, but relied on oil lamps.

Mr. Isar, the Delhi City Magistrate, pronounced judgment in the case against Swami Chiddanand, Editor, printer and Publisher of *Saundhi Samachar*, a monthly Hindi magazine, for publishing articles alleged to be insulting to Prophet Mohammed as also the religious beliefs of the Mussalmans, thereby creating class hatred. The Magistrate found the accused guilty under both the counts and sentenced him to six months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 300 or 3 months' rigorous imprisonment in default and six months' rigorous imprisonment, the sentences to run concurrently.

The prisoner who was brought before Mr. Hamilton some days ago for aiding and abetting another man in an attempt to escape from prison, was on Saturday sentenced to two months' hard labour. The defendant made a statement to the effect that he was a poor man and had no reason for wanting to get out of jail. He had never been much as handled a \$5 note in his life and was therefore content to stay a little longer in prison. "The other man," he added, "is rich and so has a reason for wanting to get away." Major C. Willson, the Superintendent of the Gaol, stated that the defendant was serving a three months' sentence for returning from banishment.

The Zeppelin Flight.

A cable from Tokyo reports the safe arrival in Japan of the German airship *Graf Zeppelin*, on her flight round the world. She left Lakehurst, New Jersey, on August 7 to cross the Atlantic for Friedrichshafen, and from Germany headed eastward across Russia and Siberia for Tokyo, where she arrived yesterday. Now follows the flight from Japan across the Pacific, and from Los Angeles back to Lakehurst. The *Graf Zeppelin* has made a fine performance so far, and there is no reason why the remaining stages of the trip should not be covered with equal safety and success. The accomplishment of a complete flight round the world will be a unique performance, and its achievement will be a feat of which the builders and navigators of the *Graf Zeppelin* may be justly proud. It should not be forgotten, however, that ten years ago a British airship, the *R34*, made a double crossing of the Atlantic. In fact, to Great Britain belongs the honour of the first direct flights across the Atlantic both by aeroplane and airship. The *R34* started from East Fortune, in Scotland, late on a wet and windy night. She carried eight officers, twenty-two men, representatives of the United States navy and army, and a stowaway (a R.A.F. airman). The officer in command was Major G. H. Scott, now in charge of flying and training at the Royal Airship Works, Cardington, and who will be in command of the *R100* and the *R101* on their tests. The story of the journey of the *R34* is told in a book by Brig-General Maitland, who publishes the diary he kept, a diary full of interest on account of manner as well as matter. The airship took 108 hours for the outward trip, was moored near New York for four days, started on her return voyage on July 9, and came to rest at Pulham, Norfolk, after a voyage of seventy-five hours. She had spent 163 hours in the air and had travelled 8,400 miles. In addition to being the first airship crossing of the Atlantic, her outward trip constituted an airship duration record. When she moored at New York she had only fuel for two hours at full speed on board. She could not have carried a commercial load, and it is partly in realisation of that fact that the decision to build much bigger airships was made, for with increase of size the proportion of capacity for useful load increases. The Atlantic was not again crossed by airship until the German *ZR3* travelled from Friedrichshafen to Lakehurst, in October, 1924. The third to cross was the *Graf Zeppelin*, in October, 1928. The *R34* was British-built Zeppelin design, but with British engines. She had a gas capacity of 1,850,000 cubic feet and was 643 feet long. The new British airships have a capacity of 3,000,000 cubic feet.

The Sun Newspapers, Limited, and S. Bennett, Limited, owners of the *Sydney Evening News* and allied publications, recently announced an approaching merger, on the basis of the present allocation of 850,000 Preference and 1,700,000 Ordinary £1 shares to the Sun Newspapers, Limited, and 219,500 Preference and 42,500 Ordinary shares to the *Evening News*. The total authorised capital is £5,000,000. The Sun Newspapers, Limited, comprise the *Sydney Sun*, *Sydney Sunday Sun*, *Sydney Daily Telegraph News Pictorial*, and *Newcastle Sun*. The *Daily Telegraph* is a recent acquisition and was converted to a pictorial. The chairman of directors is Sir Hugh Denison. S. Bennett, Limited, comprises the *Sydney Evening News*, *Sunday News*, *Sydney Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News*, and *Woman's Budget*. The chairman of directors is Sir Thomas Hughes. The headquarters of both concerns are in Sydney.

"Black" South Africa.

A General Hertzog recently replied warmly to a protest made by Dr. Talbot, the Bishop of Pretoria, in his diocesan magazine against the "wicked political playing upon racial fears" witnessed at the General Election. Dr. Talbot expressed "disgust at the shameful exploitation of anti-native feeling" by Nationalists, through what he described as the vamped-up cry, "Save White South Africa." General Hertzog declares the Bishop's article to be no more than a sanctimonious attack on the Nationalists under cover of religious indignation. He accuses the Bishop of overstepping the truth when he suggests that the Nationalists declared that the South African Party was striving for "a Black South Africa." The General adds that personally he stamped the policy of an equal vote for natives and Europeans as a "Black South Africa policy," and he continues to do so, but he denies that he ever imputed that General Smuts was working for a black South Africa. He concludes:—"The Bishop's hysterical utterances are perhaps due to disappointment at the election results. We can only hope there is nothing more in it."

CAUSEWAY BAY FIRE.

SOAP WORKS ABLAZE.

Three *jakis* were rather badly burnt in a fire at a soap works in Wing Hing Street, Causeway Bay, at noon yesterday. A can of alcohol became ignited, and the flames spread rapidly. Two fire engines were soon on the scene, and promptly extinguished the blaze.

Looking Back 25 Years.

At about nine o'clock last night, in a most mysterious manner, broke out on Torpedo Boat No. 37, lying on the slips under the shed at Kowloon Torpedo Depot. An alarm was given and blue-jackets and police promptly set to work with a steam fire-engine and cherub pumps. Hose was brought to the shed, and a constant jet of water directed on the flames. The fire broke out in the fore-cabin, which, of course, was unoccupied and it was confined to that part of the vessel. As the torpedo-boat was in a practically deserted position it is very hard to account for the occurrence. The outbreak was not very serious; it was subdued in about half-an-hour. Repairs, nevertheless, will take some little time. Stringers and a locker were completely destroyed, or charred to such an extent as to render them useless.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, Aug. 20, 1904.

Looking Back 50 Years.

The statement made by the *San Francisco Chronicle* that Governor Hennessy of Hong Kong discouraged emigration to Honolulu and California, in order to divert it to English Colonies, is as ludicrous as it is incorrect. The Australians do not want the sons of Han, and have even imposed a poll-tax on them in order to check their influx. In New Zealand they are tolerated but not welcomed, and we have never heard that they were desired in Fiji, although it is highly probable. But in any case, whether they are welcome or not, Mr. Hennessy has never done anything to raise the faintest suspicion of a desire on his part to promote Chinese emigration to the Australasian Colonies. It is quite true that he has done what he could to hinder Chinese emigration to Hawaii, without, as far as we are able to discover, any good ground, but he has not by word or act endeavoured to influence the emigration to the Pacific States of America. Nor have his efforts to stop emigration to Honolulu been successful. The trade—a very legitimate one, we believe—has certainly in part been driven out from this Colony, but it has not died out. The passenger ships for Honolulu now sail from Whampoa instead of Hong Kong—that is all.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, Aug. 20, 1879.

"GRAF ZEPPELIN" LANDS IN JAPAN.

COMPLETES HALF OF WORLD CIRCUIT.

WONDERFUL SCENES AT LANDING.

PASSENGERS AND CREW FETED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, August 18. A radio message to the Department of Communications received at 7 o'clock, stated that the position of the "Graf Zeppelin" then was 53.39 north and 140.23 east, indicating that the airship was proceeding steadily down the Tartary Strait.

Experts are of opinion that she will arrive at Kasumigaura on Monday at 2 o'clock after an approximately 100 hours' trip from Friedrichshafen.

Japanese correspondents abroad have radioed that it is expected to reach Japanese territory about midnight.

LATER.

The "Graf Zeppelin" wirelessed at 7 this morning that her position was 42.20 North, 140.21 East in the vicinity of Kamisaki light-house on the west coast of Hokkaido.

Wireless to Tokyo.

TOKYO, August 18. The Zeppelin landed her position at 9 a.m. this morning as 41.48 North, 141.34 East, near Shirayazaki, the most northerly cape of the main island of Japan.

LATER.

The "Graf Zeppelin" was sighted at Kasumigaura at 3.50 p.m., and arrived over Tokyo at 4.35.

At Kasumigaura.

A light summer haze made the visibility poor, but full-throated "Banzais" arose from the waiting crowds when finally the giant Zeppelin was sighted in the distance, with the sun glinting on its silvery sides.

Among the crowd, which was estimated at at least 15,000, were the Ministers of War, Navy, and Communications, and the German Ambassador, while several hundred blue-jackets were busy preparing to assist the airship's landing.

As soon as she was sighted four naval "planes" and the "Europa," in which Baron Huenfeld flew to Japan from Germany last year, soared upwards to greet the great air leviathan, which three other aircraft were already accompanying.

Flying at a height of 300 metres, the Zeppelin loomed nearer, its appearance directly overhead at 4.18 p.m. evoking a fresh outburst of cheering and waving of handkerchiefs, while the naval band struck up the strains of the German National Anthem.

Slowly and majestically the great cigar-shaped vessel soared over head, flying westward till the disappeared in the distance, heading for Tokyo and Yokohama, where it was to show itself before returning to Kasumigaura, where it expected to berth about 6.20 p.m. thus completing the second leg of its epoch-making flight.

Over Tokyo.

TOKYO, Aug. 19. At 4.35 p.m. seven blasts announced that the Zeppelin had been sighted over Tokyo.

A crowd of office workers and others immediately swarmed into the streets, and clambered on roofs, or took up whatever points of vantage seemed best.

Ten minutes later the great airship, with its escort of eight "planes," hovering around mid-level in contrast, appeared over the central portion of the city. The gondola's inscription, "Graf Zeppelin," was clearly visible.

No cheering was heard, but the crowds clapped their hands and waved as the giant vessel passed overhead, and disappeared in the direction of Yokohama, from where she returned 25 minutes later, heading for Kasumigaura, where she will be berthed.

The Landing.

KASUMIGAUZA, Aug. 19. The "Graf Zeppelin" landed at 6.27 p.m.

LATER.

Grounding at 6.27 p.m., the Zeppelin was finally hangered at 7.07. A brief Customs inspection was carried out, before the passengers, all of whom are well and in good spirits, left the shed. As the passengers emerged such was greeted warmly by the crowds, who cheered wildly.

Then followed a formal reception, at which Dr. Eckener and Admiral Takahara, the Navy Minister, exchanged felicitous speeches, despite interruptions due to the immense crowds breaking the cord in a desire for a closer view of the visitors.

After the speech-making the passengers and crew were given light refreshment, consisting of dry chestnuts, dried cuttlefish, and sake, in accordance with ancient Japanese custom when welcoming visitors.

The officers and crew were then entertained to a geisha dinner at guests of the Commandant of the Naval Air Station, while the passengers prepared to leave by a special train for Tokyo.

The official distance covered from Friedrichshafen to Kasumigaura, excluding the visit to Tokyo and Yokohama, is 6,850 miles.

PREPARATIONS IN JAPAN.

TOKYO, August 18. Japan plans a tremendous welcome for the German dirigible Graf Zeppelin, which will be moored at the naval air station at Kasumigaura, near Tokyo, where special arrangements have been made to accommodate the huge air liner.

The War Office will supply 1,200 steel cylinders of hydrogen to the airship. Each cylinder contains six cubic meters of gas. The Navy will provide the use of its trained ground staff at Kasumigaura. The Navy at present has one dirigible, and another is being built. Its first airship, designed by General Umberto Nobile, and assembled in Japan early in 1927, was destroyed October 23, 1927, in a storm during manoeuvres off Kousu Island, in the Izu group. The present Japanese dirigible is a copy of the Nobile ship and was built here. It frequently flies over Tokyo, and took part in the grand naval review last November.

The Central Weather Observatory will flash weather bulletins to the Graf Zeppelin as soon as it comes in range of the Japanese radio stations. Full data regarding radio stations and weather charts already have been furnished Dr. Hugo Eckener, commander of the airship.

The Mitsubishi Trading Company and the Yawata Iron Works will supply the airship with fuel here. In addition the airship will be supplied here with 765 steel drums of Pyrex fuel gas from the United States.

The Trans-Pacific Flight. The flight across the Pacific does not seem a great obstacle to Dr. Eckener. If the weather allows, the course will be laid via the Aleutian Islands to give the passengers a sight of something besides the sea. Otherwise the flight will be made via the Great Circle, probably Seattle and Los Angeles. It is expected that the dirigible will require less than a month to girdle the earth, with 17 days in the air and the remainder for refueling and replenishing hydrogen.

The revenue of the loan is expected to amount to 850,000 gold, half of the cost of construction. Eighteen passengers pay a total of \$162,000, and mail and freight bring twice as much.

Dr. Eckener said that the greatest danger was famine should the Graf Zeppelin be unable to land before provisions are exhausted.

One Ton of Food. Mr. Karl Beurele, chief engineer of the Graf Zeppelin Works and a famous airship-pilot, arrived at Tokyo last week, and has been very busy making arrangements for the landing of the Graf Zeppelin.

The work assigned to Mr. Beurele at Kasumigaura is technical, consisting of preparing the landing place, hangar, fuel, oil, gas, water and food before the arrival of the airship.

At the request of the Sherry-Netherland Catering Company of New York, the Imperial Hotel, Tokyo, is preparing to supply the Graf Zeppelin with the necessary provisions for her 60 passengers and crew of 61 for the six days trip across the Pacific from Kasumigaura to San Diego, California.

The Imperial Hotel is to prepare food weighing about one ton, which will be put into 100 tin cylinders. Each case will contain rations of combined dishes such as goulash, stews, vegetables in dried form, totalling three kilograms per head per day, including bread, pulverised coffee, tea, salt, sugar and butter.

This system of supplying meals is adopted by the Graf Zeppelin, for these foods are very handy for an airship trip as they can be made practically the same way as common preserves are prepared.

The food cases will be kept in the ice-boxes on the airship and warmed up in the bain marie and on the steam-table, before they are served to the passengers and crew of the Zeppelin. The ice-boxes are to maintain a temperature of 40 degrees Fahrenheit during the air trip, while the temperature in the air will be about 65 to 70 degrees all the way from Japan to the United States, according to Mr. Beurele.

It is interesting to note that the crew is to be served with the same meals as the passengers of the Zeppelin, with the exception of appetizers and dessert.

HAPPY "TALKIE" PRODUCERS.

BUT ACTORS GREATLY PERTURBED.

A FUTILE CAMPAIGN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 19. Cheerfulness pervades the studios, but thousands of actors are fearful for their livelihood, as a consequence of a truce between the Actors' Equity Association and cinema producers.

The reason for the seeming failure of the Association's campaign for a "closed shop" is not clear.

The Actors' Association in July sought to insist that all "talkie" artists should be members of the Association, and work under contracts approved by them. The film producers decided to defy this edict, and the actors raised \$10,000 to finance a campaign to organize "talkie" actors.

YET ANOTHER ATLANTIC ATTEMPT.

SWISS FLYER SETS OUT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LISBON, Aug. 18. The Swiss airman, Herr Kaefer, accompanied by a Swiss navigator and mechanic started at 7.18 this morning on a non-stop flight to New York.

He is using a Farman land monoplane with a 230 horse-power engine, capable of a fifty hours' flight at 90 miles an hour. The plane carries a collapsible boat.

RELEASED AT LAST!

LI TSAI HSIN LEAVES FOR NANKING.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Aug. 19. News from Nanking states that for the first time since his detention last March, Marshal Li Tsai Hsin, whose personal liberty was restored by the State Council on July 31, left for Nanking this morning.

Lu Chung Lin, the newly-appointed War Minister was inducted into office this morning.

THE EXTRALITY QUESTION.

NOT TO PUBLISH NOTES AS YET.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Aug. 19. Reuter learns that it is not intended, at present, to publish the Notes to China as regards extraterritoriality.

The British Note is largely historical in character, showing how extraterritoriality began. Willingness, however, is expressed, to examine the situation, and see how progress can be made.

DISARMAMENT.

FURTHER CONVERSATIONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Aug. 19. Mr. MacDonald and General Dawes resumed their Naval Disarmament conversations at Lorisio-mouth, to which place the latter travelled from London last night.

LANCASHIRE MILLS OPEN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Aug. 19. Work has been resumed in the Lancashire-cotton mills.

NORTH SEA COLLISION.

SPANISH STEAMER SUNK.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Aug. 18. The Spanish steamer "Ogona" was struck amidships by the Midland-borough ocean-going tug "King's Cross" in the North Sea and sank in six minutes. Fifteen of the Spanish crew were drowned and ten rescued from the water.

THAT MYSTERIOUS "INVASION."

PEKING POLITELY SCEPTICAL.

MORE RAIDS REPORTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, August 19. The vanguard of the expected Chinese reinforcements has arrived at Manchuli, bringing field guns and machine-guns.

A number of unidentified individuals threw bombs at the engineers' quarters near Harbin last night, killing three.

The Chinese authorities have also issued an official report of an attempt to blow up the Sungari iron bridge with dynamite. The attempt was made at five o'clock this morning and it was frustrated by the special guards, who opened fire on the marauders with machine-guns.

It was too dark to observe all the miscreants, but one of them, a Chinese Communist, was killed.

That "Invasion." Peking, August 19. Up to now foreign reports fail to mention Saturday's invasion by 10,000 Russians.

Despite its official character, the report is received here with great reserve, as it regarded as significant that no news of such a grave action was received from any sources in Manchuli or Harbin, the only reports being from Mukden.

Russian Attacks Again Reported. MUKDEN, August 19. According to latest despatches, Russian scouts, aided by Koreans, have penetrated to Szechotze, looting and burning. Two Chinese merchants were killed and three captured.

On the afternoon of August 16 3,000 Russians, with field guns, opened fire against the Chinese lines in Tungninghsien (Kilin).

Twenty-four thousand Fengtien troops have arrived at Tsitsihar.

MAILS TO BE CENSORED.

SEARCHING FOR "RED" PROPAGANDA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, August 19. A strict censorship of all postal matter in the Russian language will be instituted by the Post Office authorities throughout the country, in accordance with an order of the Ministry of Communications.

The new measure is deemed necessary, to prevent Communists utilizing the mails for subversive activities. It is stated that all mail matter referring to the political and military situation, written or printed in Russian, will be detained.

DEMONSTRATIONS IN WARSAW.

COMMUNISTS ARRESTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WARSAW, August 18. Young Communists, forty in number, demonstrated last night in front of the Foreign Office against sentences recently passed on Communists by the Government.

They smashed the windows with stones and a crowd. A number of Reds, mostly Jews, were arrested.

It is understood the demonstration has some connection with the present Sino-Russian troubles, as it is known that the Soviet considers that Poland is involved in her Far Eastern difficulties.

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SUGAR SITUATION REPORT.

EXCESSIVE POST-WAR PRODUCTION.

SUGGESTED REMEDIES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, Aug. 19. The report of the League of Nations' Economic Committee on the world sugar situation is to be considered at the forthcoming League Council.

The report states that post-war consumption has increased greatly, but production is still more, especially in cane sugar.

The formulation of a concrete policy to establish equilibrium is difficult, owing to the different conditions of cane and beet production. It is thought that the difficulties can be solved by the industry itself, or the Governments concerned.

The Committee will continue to watch developments, and see whether concerted international action would facilitate a solution of the problem.

The Report also recommends a reduction of the sugar excise duty.

ITALIAN AIRMAN'S ESCAPE.

PLANE DIVES INTO LAKE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DESENZANO, Aug. 18. In the presence of General Balbo, Under-Secretary of Aeronautics, one of the Italian Schneider trophy seaplanes, nose-dived into the Lago di Garda from a height of 50 feet while travelling at a high speed, and sank in 50 fathoms of water.

The pilot, Sergeant-Major A. Jello, a member of the Italian Schneider trophy team, was picked up by a motor-boat unhurt.

MR. GANDHI ILL.

AN ERROR OF DIET.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

AMRUTSAR, Aug. 18. Mr. Gandhi has adopted medical advice to take goat's milk curd, following an indisposition which was due to a dietetic experiment by Gandhi.

Apparently he decided to eat only uncooked foods. This quickly brought on a mild form of enteritis, from which he is still suffering, though there is no cause for anxiety.

AMERICAN RAIL SMASH.

14 PEOPLE KILLED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

HENRIETTE, OKLAHOMA, Aug. 18. Twelve negroes and two white persons were killed in the derailment of a passenger-train which had come from St. Louis and was bound for San Francisco.

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LULL IN THE CONFERENCE DRAMA.

MR. SNOWDEN AND GERMAN INTERESTS.

BRITISH PRESS'S SOLID SUPPORT.

"YOUNG PLAN MUST BE REVISED."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE HAGUE, Aug. 18. A lull in the drama of the Reparations Conference is now likely until Tuesday or Wednesday when the Treasury experts of the creditor Powers will have finished their calculations of the meaning of the proposals submitted to Britain, by France, Italy, Belgium and Japan.

Some surprise is expressed that Mr. Snowden agreed to the formation of this special sub-committee. It is understood he feels certain that the Experts will find that the yield from the proposed allocations will be very much smaller than the four Powers believe.

Consequently, they will then know how much more money must be found in order to satisfy Britain's just demands.

Signor Pirelli (Italy) has cancelled his journey to Rome. M. Jasper, the Belgian Premier, has left for a visit to Brussels.

Watching German Interests. BERLIN, Aug. 18. "You may rest assured that we will watch Germany's interests closely," Mr. Snowden is reported to have told the *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung's* correspondent at the Hague.

Mr. Snowden added that while Germany was involved in the present dispute, she was not concerned with finding a means of covering the financial differences or a method of distribution of reparations.

The correspondent emphasises the importance of the statement on the ground that the last two offers of the four other creditor Powers were made at a cost to Germany.

WHY BRITAIN BAULKED.

FURTHER DETAILS OF REPLY.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

ROOPE, August 18. The British delegation's reply to Powers' inadequate proposals consists of a covering letter and a memorandum. The former suggests that if the conference is to succeed a further and more serious effort must be made to meet the British position.

The Note from the other Powers repeats, in a vague manner, suggestions already discussed and rejected by the British delegation as quite inadequate.

The British delegation claims no unfair advantage, but is simply asking for the rights to which it is entitled by agreements. Great Britain must recover, either by annuities or capital, the sum of 2,400,000 a year which she loses under the Young Plan proposals, as well as a share in the unconditional annuities approximating to her due percentage if not equivalent to it.

A Major Point. The Memorandum deals with the arguments and the proposals put forward in the note of the four Powers. It states that the British Government cannot agree that the work of the Experts' Committee must be dealt with as

whole and cannot be re-discussed. The Experts were independent and did not bind their governments, and this was recognised by the British and the French Governments before their appointment and during their meetings.

The British Government has no desire to alter the fundamental part of the Young Plan and will accept it as regards the payments to be made by Germany, which was the main point on which the Experts' advice was asked.

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Yet it was now proposed that Italy's share in the German annuity should be increased at the expense of Great Britain, not for the purpose of covering her debt liabilities, but in order to provide her with a substantial surplus over all above full war debt cover.

New proposals for deliveries in kind, which are vague and indefinite, are less favourable to Great Britain than the Versailles Treaty and, in any case, would not compensate Great Britain for other financial sacrifices.

The British Memorandum and the accompanying letter were considered by the leading delegates of the four other creditor Powers last night, and the negotiations are continuing. Mr. Snowden has agreed that a committee of financial experts should investigate the precise value of the offer made to Britain. This committee will meet to-morrow morning.

Support For Snowden. Mr. Snowden's attitude continues to receive the wholehearted support of the British Press.

The Observer says that "certain minimum rights were secured to this country at Spa. In reliance upon them, Britain has settled with her debtors on terms of unparalleled generosity. The whole country is behind Mr. Snowden in his refusal to have them whittled away."

The Sunday Times says: "Throughout the War and ever since, Great Britain has been making heavy sacrifices to help her Allies and neighbours and it is high time that they began to show some consideration for us. The two extra millions that are in dispute could well be found by those countries that have had hundreds of millions from us since 1914. Our European friends should realise that this country is in earnest and means to have the Young Plan revised."

JAPANESE PREDICAMENT.

A BACKWARD AIR FORCE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

TOKYO, Aug. 11. The impending effort of Robert War, Seattle aviator, to make a non-stop flight from Seattle to Tokyo has called attention to another weakness in Japanese civil and military aviation.

An airplane never has been refuelled in the air in Japan and none of the aviation units of the Empire are willing to undertake the task with existing apparatus.

Public attention was called to the situation when it was announced that War planned a non-stop flight from the United States to Japan, refuelling his plane in the air from supply machines in Alaska, the Aleutians and the Kuriles.

Press reports said War's supporters had approached the Japanese Consulate in Seattle and asked that a Japanese supply machine refuel War's plane at some point over the Kuriles.

Officials of the Ministry of Communications, which is in charge of aviation, immediately admitted they could not fulfil the request if it is made, as no Japanese pilot ever has attempted the refuelling in air operation.

"We have had no experience in refuelling planes in the air," an official of the Communications Ministry told the United Press, "and so far as I know there are no plans under way to develop this aspect of aviation. As we understand it special equipment is necessary and the ordinary airplane must be rebuilt if it is to be used for refuelling purposes. Frankly we have no knowledge of this business. It is one phase of aviation which we have not yet investigated."—United Press.

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Hong Kong At Play.

TOPICAL NOTES AND COMMENTS ON LOCAL SPORTS.

[By "BROADCASTER."]

The Riding School organised by the Sports Club, and conducted under the instruction of Mr. A. P. Heard, has finished its course. From a conversation with one of the pupils, it appears the tuition of Mr. Heard has been very beneficial, and there is no doubt when the racing season is resumed there will be a good few upsets from the hands of jockeys who have hitherto been looked upon as novices. The public owe much to the enterprise of the Sports Club, as there is a distinct scarcity of jockeys in Hong Kong during the "extra" season. It only needs now for rain to keep off for awhile to enable the racecourses to be completed in time to enable racing fans to enjoy a few months of good racing before the next Annual Meeting. By the way, I hear some good cattle will be down in Hong Kong next month from the North, and I hope owners will race a few of these cracks at our "Extras" and break the monopoly enjoyed by a few of our good ponies, like Boxing Eve, Cheapsapeke Bay, and Christmas Chimes. At the annual meeting the races were very open but I am afraid the same cannot be said of our extra season. Several of our old ponies are also returning, I hear, and there is plenty of fun ahead.

Cricketers in general will be interested to learn that A.A. Rum-John, who captained the University team when they won the senior league a few seasons ago, will lead the I.R.C. team this year. Though there is another month and a half ahead of us, the Indian cricketers have already started fielding practice and general "loosening-up." I hear they will be able to put two very strong teams in the field when the league season opens, and I am sure they will go through the forthcoming series with greater success than in the past. The junior eleven is captained by M. P. Madar, who has been in the team for several seasons, and the choice appear to be a wise one. The Indians have always been keen on the "gentlemen's game," and can always be relied on to put up a good show against any club. Their fielding, to my mind, is of quite a high standard and I have been very much impressed by their performances whenever I had a chance to watch them in action.

I am beginning to lose my interest in local baseball, and frankly, I think a number of people are beginning to feel the same. It was regrettable that the question of getting a ground should have delayed matters for such a long while, and further, that when a ground was available, that the Clerk of the Weather should have been so unkindly. The delayed start might have been avoided, and I predict a baseball season which will be interfered with. Furthermore, if only one round is played, there will be plenty of dissatisfaction and dispute as to who is really the superior team. Yet another drawback, if the rain should cause any further postponement, what then? Small wonder that the game does not fascinate me as it used to. Unless some team like the Mei-ji outfit pass through Hong Kong and set our baseball veins agog, I predict a lean season for the association. I am rather sorry for this, and can only hope that my predictions are not correct.

The second night fete at the V.R.C. will take place this coming Saturday, and although some scribbles have seen fit to make facetious remarks about the seating accommodation (not entirely unjustified, I might add) yet I think the attendance will be very good. With a lightning storm preceding the last fete, the attendance was almost to capacity, and if the weather behaves nicely this week-end, I can see a few enthusiasts standing through the evening! Still, to those interested, the programme is distinctly attractive and the increase in the number of "open events" will naturally prove a good "draw." The V.R.C. appear now to be in good hands, and with the coming of the Hong Kong Amateur Swimming Association and the Chinese Amateur Swimming Union those who do not take an interest in swimming, from a competitive point of view, are missing a popular form of sport.

I am sure "Waterman" will have much to say regarding the prospects of the next fete, but whatever opinion he may hold, the fact remains that the principal event will be the team race. I do not understand that the Chinese water polo team, and can only express the hope that they will roll up a full score this time. They might even "collar" the race, but those versed in things aquatic will agree with me that if the V.R.C. draw on their entire members for talent, that they will get a practical walk-over. There are three open races over fifty yards, and here again I predict close races, with our Chinese friends "in at the death."

The Water Polo league is progressing well, and there has been no postponement or hitch of any kind so far. The Chinese, The Kowloon Swimming Club, and the V.R.C. are still unbeaten at the time of writing, and the first two clubs clashed yesterday, the result of the match appearing in another column. The fight for leadership will prove interesting as the regular carrying-out of the matches has proved beneficial to some of the weaker teams, who are now beginning to understand the meaning of team work. Both the Chinese and the Kowloon teams are nursing high hopes of defeating the V.R.C. Whichever team emerged victorious from yesterday's tussle, will give the V.R.C. a close fight, and although I held the opinion earlier on that the Chinese might suffer heavily at the hands of the V.R.C., I think things will be quite different when the teams meet, as the Chinese have profited immensely by their experience. Had the two teams clashed in the first few weeks of the league, the result would have been a foregone conclusion.

I understand that next season the Water Polo league will be in two divisions, which is quite a good idea, as such teams as the K.O.S.B. seconds and the Navy would do well in the second league but would be hopelessly outclassed with teams like the Chinese "B" and V.R.C. "A." Similarly if they go into the major league, the result that the first division matches will be of a certain standard and disappointments will be fewer. One-sided games can never be thrilling to spectators.

Saturday's programme in the law bowls League was completed without much interference from the weather. With the absence of rain in the morning, the greens which had been drenched by the earlier rains turned out to be in good condition for play in the afternoon, and the slight drizzle later on made little difference. All the matches were completed with the exception of Kowloon C.C. v. Tai Koo Seniors, which was called off earlier owing to the unsuitable state of the ground. Craigengower defeated the Police pretty much as they liked—in fact, the Police were beaten half-way through the match—and they strengthened their position at the top. The rivalry which was expected from the Club de Recreo was temporarily eliminated, as they were sent down by Kowloon Docks, who themselves took a seat behind the leaders. Civil Service met with another accident, if such a term may be employed, and the cherished hopes of securing the championship (which appeared so rosy recently) may now be abandoned. The Bowling Green team in defeating Civil Service so comfortably on two of their rinks showed that they have plenty of kick left. Recreo and the Bowling Green are now on even terms behind the other two Clubs, and will yet make great efforts for premier honours, which will remain very much open to them. It seems to me that the really rests to me that the Craigengower and Kowloon Dock, with the Valley team keeping in front to the end.

The meeting of Craigengower and Civil Service Juniors was one of the most interesting of the season's fixtures, and seldom has such excitement been provided in a game which was won at the post. Rossett's rink had an overwhelming lead over Haynes' rink at one time, but commenced to fade away. However, they picked up to finish first with a majority of 12 shots. At the other end Collins' rink was falling badly to Archibald, while Wiltshire held his end up well with Murphy. The excitement was intensified when the result rested on the last head on those two rinks. Civil Service were then two shots to the good all round. While the skips on the corner rink were supervising the measure for the only shot which came out of the effort, a frantic cry was heard that Wiltshire had scored four! Murphy had just missed the jack by the fraction of an inch, and Wiltshire succeeded in moving the elusive little white ball to give victory to his Club by three shots. A win for the Civil Service team would have put the junior championship issue beyond all doubt, but they are now left in the uncertain position of being overtaken, as in the case of their senior team. Besides Craigengower, the Bowling Green look like the only team to be in a position to provide opposition. The Kowloon C.C. at last gained their first points of the season at Club de Recreo. The Electric R.C. and Yacht Club are ahead of the two Clubs mentioned, and are sure of remaining in that position even if they lose their remaining fixtures.

YESTERDAY'S WATER POLO.

SOMERSET LIGHT INFANTRY GOES UNDER TO V.R.C. "B."

KOWLOON "A" ON SICK LIST: COUNCIL IN DILEMMA.

[By "WATERMAN"]

The only water polo match played yesterday was between the V.R.C. "B" and the Somerset Light Infantry and resulted in an easy win for the V.R.C. side, the final score being 6-2 in their favour.

Quite a large crowd turned up at the bath to witness the tussle between the Chinese "B" and the Kowloon "A," hitherto undefeated teams, but Mr. G. T. May, announced that several Kowloon players were on the sick list. "The Chinese team," said Mr. May, "will take the water, possibly with a view to claim the points."

V.R.C. "B" v. SOMERSETS.

Playing with one of their reserves, the V.R.C. "B" established a lead of 3-1 over the Somersets in the first half of the game and had doubled this lead by the close. The club players combined well but the Somersets failed to work together and often left their opponents unmarked. The soldiers were well served by their forwards, but the backs found the V.R.C. youngsters too fast.

The Teams.

Somersets:—Hooker, Naylor, Stacey, Fox, Early, Howard, MacKenzie.

V.R.C. "B":—Rocha, Maynard, Foraita, Remedios, Gosano, Pereira, Lawrence.

The Game.

In 21 seconds V.R.C. obtained their first goal, the point coming through Lawrence who beat the goalkeeper with a nice backhand shot from the corner of the bath.

The Somersets worked hard and after three and a half minutes of actual play, equalised. It only took the Club team 23 seconds after the resumption to get ahead again, Roza Pereira being responsible for the points. Lawrence put the Club further ahead before the interval, the goal being scored in 17 seconds after the referee's whistle to resume, which must be somewhere near a record.

The Second Half.

With a comfortable lead to their credit the V.R.C. players took things fairly easily in the second half, but the soldiers were not able to cope with the Club forwards and conceded three more goals of which Lawrence was responsible for two and B. Gassano for one. Just before the end Stacey received a nice pass from L. Howard and scored for the soldiers.

In the course of the game, Foraita was ordered out of the bath for the rest of the match for arguing with the referee.

Final score:—V.R.C. "B" 6; Somersets 2.

KOWLOON "A" v. CHINESE "B."

There was much speculation as to which of these two teams would win, as apart from the V.R.C. "A" they were the only two sides which had not suffered defeat to date. Mr. May's announcement proved very disappointing to one and all, but a friendly game was arranged on the spot, the Chinese playing a "pick-up" side and going under to the tune of four goals to one. The match was very scrappy and players gave more attention to ducking each other than to the ball. However, the game was a friendly match and I suppose all are better for the experience they gather out of such encounters. One can afford to experiment in friendly matches much more than in league matches.

As regards the points connected with the Kowloon "A" v. Chinese "B" game, I understand that the Water Polo League Council, held a meeting last night, but that a decision was not arrived at. This, of course, is not official.

It is learned that Kowloon communicated with the League and gave the required three days' notice calling for a postponement but whether they have had a reply or acknowledgment of their notice does not seem to be clear. From the announcement by Mr. May it would seem that the notice was received and that it was known that certain of the Kowloon players were "sick." Under the circumstances it seems curious that the Chinese team had not been notified. I understand that the Council held no meeting to discuss the notice given by the Kowloon Swimming Club, prior to yesterday afternoon. As the two teams concerned are both undefeated, an announcement by the Council as to the facts of the matter accompanied by their decision will be very welcome to those who paid their entrance fee to see this match, but were treated to a friendly game instead. What are the prospects of this match coming off?

ENGLISH GIRLS BEATEN.

GERMANY VICTOR IN ATHLETICS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Düsseldorf, Aug. 18. In a women's athletic contest between Germany and Great Britain today, Germany beat England by 33½ points to 43½ points. Britain's star performer was Miss Hatt, the famous Olympic champion. She established a new world record to-day, winning the 80 metres hurdles in 12.3-10 seconds.

BILLIARDS.

STEEL COULSONS CUP MATCHES.

The following matches in the Steel Coulsons Cup competition take place this evening:—Buffalo Club v. Garrison Moss, H.K. Police v. St. Patrick's Club, R.A. v. R.E., H.K. Police R. v. Craigengower, C. & P.O.'s Club v. Somersets.

"RIGHTS OF A CITIZEN."

"It is a case in which the rights of the private citizen, as against those of a policeman are involved," said Mr. Edmund O'Connor, defending at Wimbledon Police Court when he consented to the remand of Walter Howard Harvey, aged forty-four, a motor fitter of Greenway, Baynes Park. Harvey was accused of assaulting and resisting Police Constable Jack Duke, of the Metropolitan force and causing wilful damage to the extent of five shillings to a whistle chain and tunic. Inspector Aylett applied for the remand in order that the police could be legally represented.

GERMAN YACHTS WIN.

AMERICAN GIRL'S SMART SAILING.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

Marblehead, Aug. 18. Germany won the series of yacht races for the President Hoover Cup by 57 to 43 points. An 18-year-old girl, Miss Elizabeth Tovey, in the Oriole, won the final race, the Germans being second, third, and fourth.

HONG KONG POLICE RESERVE.

[ORDERS BY HON. MR. T. H. KING, ACTING CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE.]

Chinese Company.

SQUAD DRILL.

All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend at the Company's Headquarters on Tuesday, August 20, at 5.30 p.m. sharp for squad drill under Lieut. Serjeant R. J. Chi On. Dress: Multi.

SIGNALING.

The Signalling Squad will attend at the Company's Headquarters for practice in Morse and Semaphore under Cr. Serjeant R. J. Chi On. Yung Kin Heng on Wednesday, August 21, at 6 p.m. sharp.

Sharpshooters' Company.

PRIZE SHOOT.

Members of this Company are reminded of the prize shoot to be held on Sunday, August 25, at 8.30 a.m. for details, see last week's order.

Regular practices will in future be held on the last Sunday in each month.

(Sd.) T. H. KING, Captain Superintendent of Police, Hong Kong, August 19, 1929.

LAWN BOWLS.

CLUB POSITIONS AT END OF SEASON.

DECISIONS AT ASSOCIATION MEETING.

The Honorary Secretary of the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association has sent us the following report of proceedings at a committee meeting held last Friday to consider an extraordinary general meeting of the Association for the purpose of: (1) Formulating a rule defining the positions of the various clubs at the close of the League Season; (2) To discuss arrangements in connection with the visit of the Shanghai Interport players.

The general committee decided that it is unnecessary to call an extraordinary general meeting of the Association, as under Rule 9, they are authorised to formulate bye-laws to meet the occasion. The Chairman (Mr. B. Wylie) pointed out that owing to the even position on the League table, it is more possible that two or more teams will be on level terms at the close of the season, and that the Association should have bye-laws to cover any point that may arise then.

After some discussion the following bye-laws were passed:—(1) That in the event of League teams trying on points for the top or bottom position, a deciding match, or matches, will be played on the knockout system. The draw to be made by the committee, and the green and date of playing matches nominated by the committee; (2) The losing team of the 1st Division shall be relegated to the 2nd Division.

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ENGLAND'S POOR TOTAL.

SUTCLIFFE SAVES HIS SIDE.

TOURISTS MAKE GOOD REPLY.

There were 8,000 people present at the Oval yesterday when England resumed her first innings in the Fifth Test Match. The weather was dull, and the wicket soft after the previous night's rain.

Sutcliffe (84) and Leyland (0) were the overnight not-outs, and opened cautiously. However, the partnership was not a long one. Leyland was bowled by Vincent after scoring 18 and Sutcliffe, after passing the century mark was caught off the same bowler. His 104 had been a great effort, and as it proved, of incalculable value to his side.

None of the rest of the side did much, Ames being unfortunate in getting out for a "duck," and England were all out before lunch for 258. Vincent had 5 wickets for 108, and MacMillan 3 for 78.

(Continued on next Column.)

Division if the winning team of the 2nd Division desires promotion. Mr. A. O. Brown was unanimously appointed convener to Selection Committee.

Mr. A. W. Grimmett was unanimously appointed convener to the Entertainment Committee. The Hon. Secretary was instructed to write to the various clubs with a view to expediting the playing off of the "Spey" Cup matches.

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South Africa Batting. When South Africa went in, the crowd had swelled to 13,000. Clark made an auspicious debut, getting Catterall caught before scoring. Mitchell lasted little longer, being bowled by Geary for 2. Before lunch Siedle was also bowled, and South Africa went in with 3 wickets down for 25.

After lunch, however, Taylor and Deane put an entirely different complexion on the game, and defied the English attack. At ten they were still together, and South Africa's score was 137 for 3. Taylor was not out 78 and Deane not out 65.

Scores, as cabled by Reuter, are:

England—1st Innings.
Hobbs, c Quinn, b MacMillan 10
Sutcliffe, c Owen Smith, b Vincent 104
Hammond, st. Cameron, b Vincent 17
Woolley, hit wicket, b Vincent 48
R. E. S. Wyatt, c Deane, b Vincent 8
Leyland, b Vincent 16
A. W. Carr, c Morkel, b MacMillan 15
Ames, c Mitchell, b MacMillan 0
Quinn, not out 12
Freeman, c Cameron, b Quinn 5
Clark, b Quinn 7
Extras 10

Total 258

Bowling Analysis. O. M. R. W.

Morkel 9 2 20 0
Quinn 15 3 4 30 2
Vincent 45 10 105 5
MacMillan 29 7 73 3
Owen Smith 4 0 15 0

South Africa—1st Innings.

R. H. Catterall, c Carp, b Clark 0
I. J. Siedle, b Geary 14
B. Mitchell, b Geary 13
H. W. Taylor, not out 73
H. G. Deane, not out 65
Extras 8

Total (for 3 wickets) 137

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Money and Markets

GOSSIP ON THE SHARE MARKET.

A STEADY WEEK: ELECTRICS PROMINENT: ALL ROUND INQUIRIES AND DEMANDS.

FREE ADVICE FOR INVESTORS.

(By "KUFAN.")

Gossip often moves the market, but no investor should either buy or sell on market gossip only.

The past week has been very steady, and there has been no phenomenal rise in rates, except in Electrics, which attracted more attention than anything else. They had a fairly sharp jump and shares changed hands at as high a rate as \$90. They closed on Saturday at \$88.50, but I think will not recede further. The "boost" in the price of Electrics, however, is a bit premature and although the shares are bound to go up by the end of the year, I think investors need be in no hurry to buy.

There must have been a fair amount of profit-taking in Shanghai shares, as Ewos experienced a slight set-back, which I forecasted. Humphreys have reached \$14, and I am sure quite a number of my readers must have benefited by this rise, as I have always recommended this stock to the small investor.

The week has been outstanding by reason of the all-round inquiry for various stocks, and indications are that better times are ahead for sharebrokers. The last few months of the year, I should think, will prove a period of activity, and although the market will not reach pre-strike prices, it is safe to say there will be a general appreciation of prices accompanied by a corresponding amount of speculation.

HONG KONG BANKS—A few shares changed hands at \$123.33, but they are rather neglected at the moment.

UNIONS were done at \$24.5, and finished up fairly strong.

HOTELS—A fair number of shares changed hands at \$8.40 to \$8.50. I think the rise is due to a rumour floating round which I will not assist in spreading. However, buyers are still out to purchase at \$8.45.

HUMPHREYS changed hands at \$14, and finished up with buyers at slightly over this rate.

HONG KONG LANDS changed hands at \$60, and there are buyers at this rate.

REALTIES have buyers at \$3 ex dividend of 30 cents.

HONG KONG TRAMS—In spite of a declaration of 10 cents interim dividend, a few shares changed hands at \$18.70 to \$18.75, and the stock appears to have eased off a little bit and finished off with sellers at \$18.50 and buyers offering less. Anybody with the necessary capital will not go far wrong by investing in this stock at present rates.

CHINA LIGHTS was the subject of much inquiry last week, and quite a large volume of business is reported by practically every broker—both cash and forward shares attracting speculators. Sales, however, took place at declining rates, and although in the early part of the week they were put through at \$13.05 they finished up with sellers at \$12.90 and there are buyers at slightly under this figure.

Notwithstanding the recent steady decline in the price of this stock, there are still a number of believers in it. Those readers who have asked for my advice about these shares will remember that I predicted rates would not be maintained, and I have heard from some of these telling me that they have got out at \$13.75. That is gratifying, as there are quite a number of rumours floating around about this stock which are calculated to mislead the investor. While I do not predict a "drop" in prices, I believe the stock will not prove a highly profitable investment.

"STAR" FERRIES changed hands at \$35 and I think more shares are wanted at this rate.

WHARVES were done at \$120 and have buyers at this figure. They have gone up as predicted, and I think will still mount higher, though very gradually.

CEMENTS were rather neglected during the week. They declined slightly, buyers only offering \$8.60 while sellers are holding out for \$8.60. I do not anticipate any change in rates until next month, when I expect to see a big business in this stock.

ELECTRICS—Quite a large number of shares changed hands at rates varying between \$88.50 to \$90. I think they were rushed up a bit quickly, as they have since eased off a little bit. Sales were done at the close of business at \$88.75 and I think shares could be bought at this rate. Electrics are quite good but, as I have stated, the "boost" is a little bit premature and sudden.

CHINA PROVIDENTS are very steady at quotations—i.e., \$4.25 buyers and \$4.30 sellers. I still consider them a good "buy" at \$4.25.

EWOS had been done at \$15.10, locally and \$15.20 in Shanghai for cash, but eased off a little, as I expected. This set-back is due no doubt to profit-taking, which is only natural, and in a small measure, the "War" news from the North has had a steady effect on would-be speculators. Sales were put through just before the close on Saturday at \$15.10. I do not anticipate much change in the rates for the rest of this month, but if the "War" news prove to be more of a scare than anything else, I would not be surprised to see them appreciate still further later in the year. There are a large number of people in Hong Kong who have profits to show on their Ewos, and to these people I would repeat my advice: "Take your profit and let the next man take his gamble."

REPLIES TO READERS.

Readers who have written to me during the week will find replies to their inquiries below. Replies to any question on the local, Shanghai, or Singapore share markets will appear in this column every Tuesday. Readers wishing to send queries are asked to addressed them to "KUFAN," care of the Editor. Name and address must be enclosed, but these will not be published, and correspondents are also asked to enclose a non-refundable sum so that they can readily pick out answers intended for them.

Every effort will be made to give as detailed and accurate a reply as possible; but it must be made clear that the writer does not assume any responsibility by so doing.

G.P.—"If you can keep these shares for a year my answer is 'Yes.' 2. About 4 per cent. only. 3. Certainly! The company's earnings must go up with the growth of Kowloon. 4 and 5. You will excuse me not answering these questions as they are hardly 'inquiries' relating to the share market."

SMALL INVESTOR—Humphreys Estate or Hong Kong Trams. You can buy a small lot of either of these stocks. They are always marketable and are likely to appreciate, besides paying steady dividends. If you can't get a small lot of either of these stocks let me know.

D.M.—Sell your shares, as from all accounts, Shanghai Loans is not a stock worth holding on to. I see no reason to recommend you to do so.

J. NOLASCO—Buy Electrics in preference to Lands. Both are likely to go up, but Electrics will mount more rapidly than Lands. The feeling in Lee House Street is that Electrics can be picked up a little cheaper in the next day or two. Better watch for your opportunity to get in.

H.D.—Both courses are risky at present, but if there is no change in the rate this week, buy December/January delivery is best. 2. Leave this stock alone as they are no money in it. 3. Prices should appreciate by the end of the year, and I think there should be a steady upward move about a month hence. Don't buy until you see the rates rise. 4. (Continued on next column.)

CANTON TRADE NOTES.

Some 8,270 bags of rice were imported between the 1st and 10th instant (inclusive). The rice market in Canton has been erratic but in Hong Kong is improving.

Prices of raw silk have advanced by several dollars, but demand is still short. Eighty bales were sold on Sunday the quotations being No. 14/16 at H.K. \$950 per picul.

Kwangsi's trade with Yunnan, Kweichow, Hunan and Hupeh is very bad this year. The war in Kwangsi, and the political unrest in the above-mentioned provinces have practically killed commerce.

Supplies of Chinese flour have increased, but demand being short there has been a slight drop in prices. It is unlikely that the prices will remain low in view of the limited arrivals from abroad.

The foreign sugar market has improved a little and prices are higher. There has been a better demand from bakers and confectioners in view of the approach of the Mid-Autumn Festival. The market in Hong Kong has also improved.

The 18th year (1929) Kwangtung 50-cent silver coins have become exceedingly popular as the percentage of silver in these coins is high and as they are easily distinguished from the counterfeit coins. Their value is about four per cent. higher than that of the old coins.

Shipping business between Wuchow and Hong Kong which has been on the decline owing to the lack of business in Wuchow has been further affected by the additional export taxes from Kwangsi. Since the imposition of the new tax, goods exported from Wuchow have considerably decreased. The shipping merchants are petitioning the Wuchow authorities to cancel the tax.

HONG KONG MARKET REPORTS.

Yesterday's quotations for rice and other food-stuffs were as follows:—

Rice.	Per Picul.
White, Hung Wu Dip	\$8.05
White, Luk Wu Dip	7.90
White, Luk Sai See	7.90
White, Ng Kook	7.92
Long Unglutinous No. 1	7.92
White Bran	3.62
White granulated, No. 3	4.50
Miscellaneous.	
No. 12 coarse granulated sugar	6.38
No. 24 coarse granulated sugar	7.03
Deer's horn	\$50.00
Groundnut oil	31.70
Wood-tar oil	32.50
Luk An Black Tea	50.00
Dried Mushroom, Heung Shun	142.00
Dried Mushroom, Tung Koo	160.00
White Nut	25.00
White Sesame	16.00
White edible bird's nest, No. 3	2,100.00
Dried Flat Fish	77.00
Small green bean	8.60
Soy bean	7.90
Scarlet bean	8.80

I do not think the stock will go down further. On the other hand I think they will go up very soon. Leave you to decide whether it is necessary to decide under the circumstances. 5. Rumours have been very busy with this stock, but I advise you to "forget it," as the price will neither rise nor fall. If at any time any of the rumours are substantiated I will let you know. Meanwhile, I would not advise you to touch these shares.

As requested I am asking a local firm of reliable standing to communicate with you.

TRAFFIC—The receipts of the Company you mention, I understand, have been very good, and from an authentic source I learn that they have touched a new record. Don't sell your shares. Your remarks about competition are incorrect, and I should be surprised if shares do not go up this week, or at the latest within a fortnight.

LEONG KING KONG—1. Hong Kong Banks would not be affected if either or both of the two events you mention came to pass. As to whether they will or will not happen soon, I am not at all sure, as I am not versed in high politics. 2. None for the present. The rumour has been circulating for some time, but it is not correct. I understand the directors cannot agree on the ratio to be given to holders of the smaller stock. 3. There will be no call this year. As regards the publishing of questions in full, this cannot be done, as some of the inquiries, if printed in conjunction with the answers, might involve me in rather lively controversy, if not worse!

DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.				SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.			
Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
MONDAY, AUGUST 19.							
Banks							
...	...	\$1,235	...	H.K. Banks .....	...	...	\$1,930
...	Do. (London) .....	...	...	...
...	Chartered Bank .....	...	...	...
...	Merchants Bank .....	...	...	...
...	Do. (C) .....	...	...	...
...	Bank of East Asia .....	...	...	...
Insurance							
...	Canton Ins. ....	...	...	...
...	Underwriters .....	...	...	...
...	North China .....	...	...	...
...	Union Ins. ....	...	...	...
...	China Fire .....	...	...	...
...	H.K. Fire .....	...	...	...
Shipping							
...	Douglases .....	...	...	...
...	Steamboats .....	...	...	...
...	Indos (pref.) .....	...	...	...
...	Do. (def.) .....	...	...	...
...	Shell Transports .....	...	...	...
...	Water-boats .....	...	...	...
Mining							
...	Benquet .....	...	...	...
...	Railways .....	...	...	...
...	Langkats (comb.) .....	...	...	...
...	Do. (single) .....	...	...	...
...	Explorations .....	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Loans .....	...	...	...
...	Rams .....	...	...	...
...	Tronoh Mines .....	...	...	...
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.							
...	H.K. & K. Wharfs .....	...	...	...
...	Providents .....	...	...	...
...	H.K. Docks .....	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Docks .....	...	...	...
...	New Engineering .....	...	...	...
...	Hongkew .....	...	...	...
Cotton Mills							
...	Ewos .....	...	...	...
...	Shai Cotton (old) .....	...	...	...
...	Do. (new) .....	...	...	...
...	Zoong Sings .....	...	...	...
Lands, Hotels and Buildings							
...	H.K. & S. Hotels .....	...	...	...
...	H.K. Lands .....	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Lands .....	...	...	...
...	H.K. Realty .....	...	...	...
...	Humphreys .....	...	...	...
...	Chinese Estates .....	...	...	...
Public Utilities							
...	Tramways .....	...	...	...
...	Peak Trans. (old) .....	...	...	...
...	Do. (new) .....	...	...	...
...	Star Ferries .....	...	...	...
...	C. Lights (old) .....	...	...	...
...	Do. (new) .....	...	...	...
...	H.K. Electric .....	...	...	...
...	Macao do .....	...	...	...
...	Sandakan Lights .....	...	...	...
...	Telephones .....	...	...	...
...	China Buses .....	...	...	...
...	Traction .....	...	...	...
...	Do. (pref.) .....	...	...	...
Industrials							
...	Canton Ice .....	...	...	...
...	Cements (comb.) .....	...	...	...
...	Do. (old) .....	...	...	...
...	Do. (new) .....	...	...	...
...	Ropes .....	...	...	...
...	China Sugars .....	...	...	...
...	Malayan Sugars .....	...	...	...
...	United Asbestos .....	...	...	...
Miscellaneous							
...	Dairy Farms .....	...	...	...
...	De A Wings .....	...	...	...
...	Amusements .....	...	...	...
...	Constructions .....	...	...	...
...	Lane Crawfords .....	...	...	...
...	Mackintosh .....	...	...	...
...	Nanyang Tobacco .....	...	...	...
...	Sincores (old) .....	...	...	...
...	Do. (new) .....	...	...	...
...	Walsons .....	...	...	...
...	Wm. Powells .....	...	...	...
...	B. Ind. G.S. Bonds .....	...	...	...
...	H.K. Govt. Loan .....	...	...	...

HUGE DIAMOND IN SHANGHAI?

STORY OF A 100-CARAT STONE FOR SALE.

Well-authenticated gossip in Russian circles has it that one of the Crown jewels of old Russia is now being peddled from shop to shop in Shanghai, by Soviet agents, but owing to its great value, no purchaser has been found for it. One stone alone is valued at \$500,000, and the entire piece, without reference to other than its intrinsic value, should bring at least \$1,000,000, were it to be sold complete. It is stated that the holders of the major stone have offered it for as low a figure as \$100,000, but there have been no takers.

Mysterious Movements.

The agent has been in Shanghai for several months, arriving there from Harbin, where his movement were very mysterious. In the Settlement he is said to have broadcast the story that he managed to escape from Russia with his life and with this valuable family heirloom, but it also has been said

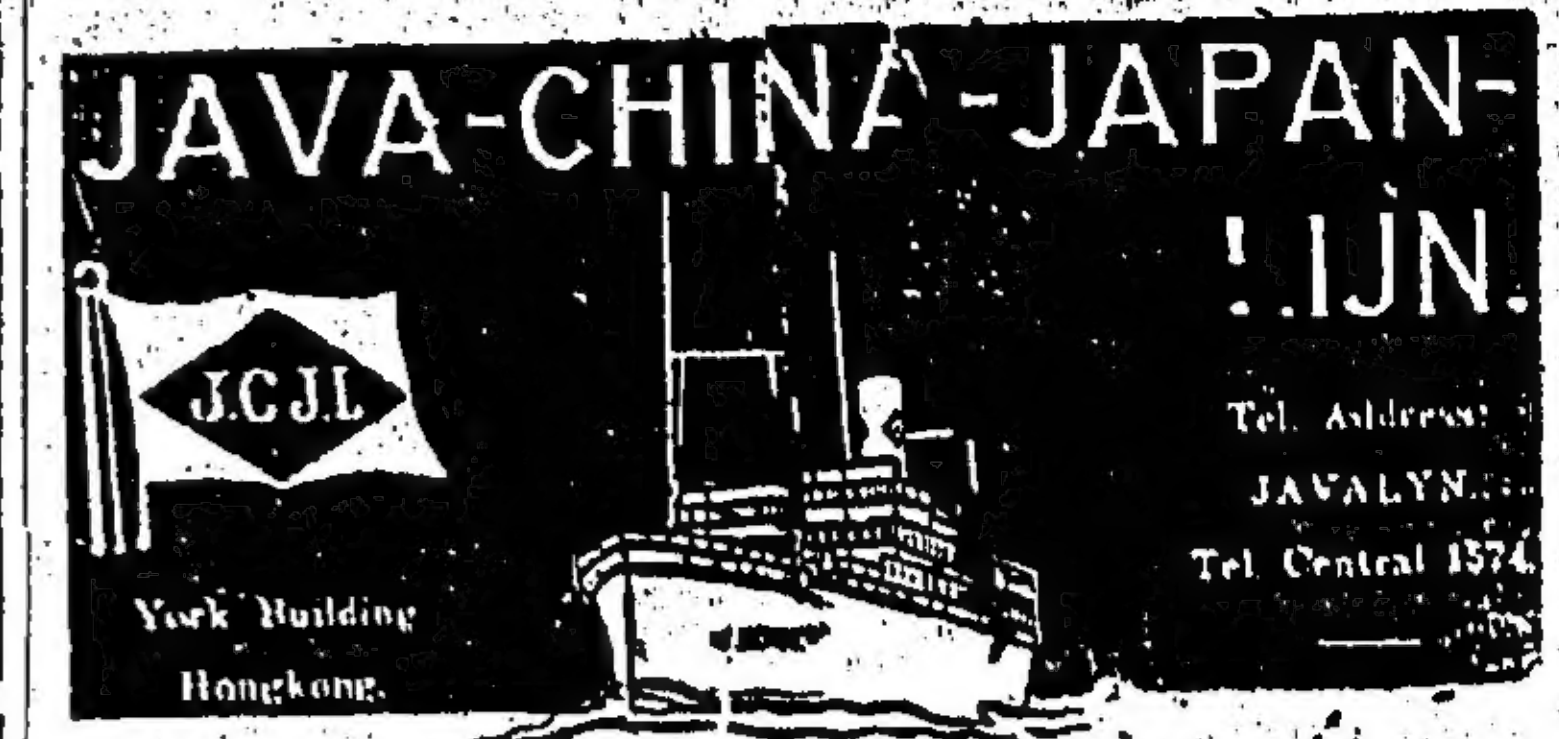
that he is a Bolshevik agent, acting for Moscow, to realize funds from the diamond marts of Shanghai.

He is said to have visited jewellers shops on Nanking Road and to have offered for sale a 100-carat diamond, several merchants commenting on the stone as being a first class one in every respect, but that it was too large for them to handle and they could not cut it down. Even at a price of \$100,000 no one was inclined to purchase it, and it is understood that the agent will have to go elsewhere. Some of the accessory stones on the brochure are reported to have been sold surreptitiously.

The Story Disbelieved.

Questioned by a representative of the N.C. Daily News, another Nanking Road jeweller spoke in no uncertain terms of the rumour. "I must discredit the fact that such a stone is in Shanghai. It has not been offered on the street, and I cannot think of 100-carat stone worth \$500,000."

"Were it brought to me, and I appraised it at such a figure, and it was then offered at \$100,000, I would purchase it immediately. "Were the stone of such value, the holders would not bring it to Shanghai, but would go to New York at once, as I would, should I purchase it."



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TJIKEMBANG	SHAI & AMOY	25th Aug.	28th Aug. Noon	BATAVIA
TJIKARANG	SHAI & AMOY	5th Sept.	7th Sept. Noon	BATAVIA
TJISALAK	SHAI, K'LONG, & AMOY	8th Sept.	10th Sept. Noon	MANILA, M'ANAR & SOERABAYA

NORTH BOUND.

STEAMERS	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE ON OR ABOUT	FOR
TJISALAK	JAVA, MAKASSAR	21st Aug.	22nd Aug. Noon	AMOY & SHAI
TJIKARANG	BATAVIA	24th Aug.	25th Aug. Noon	AMOY & SHAI
TJIBADAK	BATAVIA	4th Sept.	6th Sept. Noon	AMOY & SHAI
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AMERICAN "INVASION" OF MOSCOW.**SIGHTSEERS WHO PROVIDE THRILLS.****SOCIAL LIFE IN SOVIET RUSSIA TO-DAY.**

[By EUGENE LYONS.]

Moscow.—The droves of Americans who walk or motor through the ancient Moscow streets under the impression that they are seeing the best sights are blissfully ignorant of the fact that they themselves constitute the most thrilling sight in the Soviet capital. At least to the Russians, who despite the recent American invasion still hold a majority of the population.

Muscovites are not losing the present superb opportunity to study that strange, transoceanic creature who inhabits the fabled land of Columbus. They stare hard at his curious habits, comment on his clothes, discuss his food and generally investigate him earnestly and sympathetically.

Theatrical Sketch.

All summer great numbers of Americans have been available for such study. They could be seen milling around the Grand Hotel, the Savoy, the Metropol, or listening to the broken English of a girl-guide; or engaged in making original remarks like "So this is Moscow!" For a few days recently when the arrival of the American delegation of businessmen and their female relations coincided with unusually large groups of assorted tourists—there were some 500 Americans in town. As far as the present writer is aware, this is the largest number of Americans ever congregated in one place at one time anywhere in Europe east of Berlin.

Some time ago the Press Club put on a theatrical sketch which showed several Russians abroad trying to learn about foreigners. They went from capital to capital but met only other Russians. In the end they gave up and returned to Moscow where at least they could be understood again and again in the study of the life of foreign peoples among the American correspondents. Their present opportunity is much more ample.

Fond of Snap-shots.

In Moscow, for the first time in the wanderings, Americans find a people who are as sadly addicted to the habit of snap-shooting as themselves. The really wise member of the American delegation will be the one who gets a concession for the manufacture of photographic machines.

The American delegates alighted from their special train, of course, with cameras in hand, ready to snap their Russian hosts. But they faced a photographic barrage no smaller than their own. The comic scene of Americans snapping Russians and Russian snapping back was repeated again and again in the following weeks.

Your correspondent canvassed a miscellaneous lot of Russians as to their impressions of Americans.

MASTER'S AUTHORITY UPHELD.

CHINESE ENGINEERS AND QUARTERMASTER FINED.

Captain G. J. Spinks, master of the Wuchow river steamer Tai Ming, prosecuted the No. 2 Quartermaster, No. 1 Assistant Engineer and No. 2 Assistant Engineer for disobeying his commands whilst the vessel was at Wuchow on August 12.

Captain Spinks, giving evidence, said that there was an unusual number of chicken crates at the stern of the vessel. He called the Quartermaster and told him to remove all but 30, as he was of opinion that the crates would impede access to the stern in case of an accident. The Quartermaster replied that some 30 of the crates belonged to the defendants. Witness warned the defendants to move them but although they did not refuse by word of mouth the crates remained where they were. This evidence was corroborated by Mr. W. H. Lawton, the Chief Officer.

Defendants alleged that they had difficulty in obtaining a sampan to take the crates ashore owing to the strong tide.

They called Mr. Smith, the Chief Engineer to support their evidence. Mr. Smith confirmed this statement and said that later in the evening all the crates were sent ashore. He was aware of the difficulty in obtaining a sampan.

His Worship in giving his decision thought that the defendants had offered passive resistance to the master. They did not refuse by word of mouth but wasted time in the hope that they could induce the master to retract his orders.

All three defendants were fined two days wages and warned that if another case of the same nature came before the Court it would mean imprisonment for those concerned.

Among the things which struck them forcibly were:

1. The length and breadth of American pants and American breakfasts.

2. An extraordinary nervousness about Americans as they prepare to imbibe hard liquors.

3. A glib assumption that anyone understands English if you about it loud enough.

4. The annoying habit of starting every public speech, no matter how serious, with a bad joke.

5. The preponderance of such vague words as "Ta-ra-ra-rah-rah" in the American national hymn.

Baggage Manager's Problems.

The Star-spangled Banner presented a problem to the Grand Hotel orchestra in preparation for the gala banquet tendered to the American delegation. The services of the American Express Company's baggage manager, David Drucker, were enlisted in preparing the music. He sang it in a voice which explained why he chose baggage management instead of opera singing as a career; and the conductor noted it all down. Then the orchestra rehearsed it all afternoon.

But when the great test came, at the end of the banquet, the musicians felt unequal to the task. Thereupon the wife of a prominent American correspondent—modesty forbids us even hinting which one—quickly stepped into the breach. She played the hymn on the piano, the orchestra followed a few notes behind, and the night was saved.

"Locos" in Russia.

Despite all the mechanical progress of the present age, a locomotive is still the symbol of modernity to large sectors of the Soviet land.

Fully 40,000 persons turned out at Alma-Ata (formerly Vienna) in Turkestan, to see the arrival of the first train to that city on the newly-opened section of the Turkestan-Siberian Railroad. Hundreds of them came on horseback and stood from days' distance to witness the miracle.

Alma-Ata newspapers estimated that at least 30,000 of those persons saw a locomotive for the first time in their lives.

An airplane, of course, would not have attracted any attention at all. It is a commonplace occurrence. That is one of the strange paradoxes of present-day Russia. To millions of people who have never seen a train, an airplane is an everyday affair.

For Columbia.

Several years ago the general public was startled by a theory which has long agitated the scientific world, namely that the rays of the sun affect human events.

The propounder of this theory, Prof. A. L. Tchishevsky, of Moscow University, is going to the United States. He has accepted an invitation to lecture at Columbia University.—United Press.

LESSON SERMON.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, HONG KONG.

"Soul" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, August 18.

The Golden Text was: "Rejoice the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul" (Ps. 86: 4). I the Lord have called thee in righteousness and will hold thee hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles: To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house. And I will bring the blind by a way they knew not. . . . I will make darkness light before them." (Isa. 42: 6-7, 18).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "How transient a sense is mortal sight, when a wound on the retina may end the power of light and lens." But the real sight or sense is not lost. Neither age nor accident can interfere with the senses of Soul. . . . (p. 214).

TOKYO'S HOT SUMMER.

TYPHOON WANTED.

["D.P." Special Service.]

Tokyo, Aug. 17. Tokyo has experienced one of the hottest summers in years, the temperature averaging two degrees hotter than the usual summer weather.

A typhoon likely will break the heat wave, in the opinion of the Tokyo weather bureau.—United Press.

TUNNEL-BUILDING AND UNEMPLOYMENT.**SCHEMES TO SOLVE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT PROBLEMS.****ACT OF PARLIAMENT ALREADY DRAFTED.**

[Exclusive to the "Daily Press,"]

London, August 8.—Tunnel projects which will send thousands of men burrowing through the earth are being advocated here to solve England's unemployment problem.

The proposal to build a tunnel to France under the English channel has been revived with the Labour Party's return to power. Among other schemes are a gigantic freight subway under London, a tunnel from Scotland to Ireland, and tunnels to the Isle of Wight and the Isle of Man.

Freight Subway.

The London freight subway is backed by a group of private financiers who ask that the government guarantee interest on their investment. They estimate the cost of the work at £300,000,000 and claim it will provide at least four years' employment for 80,000 men.

The financiers behind the project have studied the narrow gauge railway used in Chicago to deliver freight to the second basements of large stores. They plan, however, to build a standard gauge railway with 75 miles of track running underground from the great docks along the Thames to every important point in the business district.

The Rt. Hon. Mr. J. H. Thomas, Lord Privy Seal, who is charged with finding a cure for unemployment, is considering the proposal, and the Act of Parliament under which the work can be begun has already been drafted.

The proposal to build a Channel tunnel has met with increasing favour both in England and France in recent years. The tunnel is the longest ever contemplated by engineering experts, 41 miles in all, although the length from shore to shore only is 24 miles.

Proponents of the project say it would require the employment of

30,000 men for six years and would cost \$130,000,000. The electric railway which would connect London and Paris through the tunnel would cost approximately \$800,000,000.

Light Maintenance Expenses.

Financial experts believe the tunnel would pay a good return on the investment. About nine million persons travel between London and Paris each year by the train and boat route which requires seven hours. The tunnel railway, it is believed, would cut the time to three hours.

In addition to the non-stop London to Paris trains, an elaborate suburban service would be inaugurated. Freight also could be carried. Maintenance expenses, it is pointed out, would be light as only a small staff would be required and there would be no stations along the route.

The plans provide for two traffic tunnels and a small drainage tunnel. Eleven miles would be allowed on the English side for the decline to get below the channel, and nine miles on the French side.

A company with nominal capital has been formed to deal with the preliminary financial details of the scheme.

A tunnel between Portpatrick in Scotland and Donaghadee in northern Ireland is advocated by W.E.D. Allen, M.P. from West Belfast. He argues that such a tunnel would be of great use to Britain in time of war and would considerably reduce the cost of transporting livestock between the two countries in peace time, as well as providing employment.

The Isle of Wight and Isle of Man tunnels have been declared feasible by the channel tunnel engineers but have not met with much consideration.—United Press.

TODAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

BROADCAST BY Z.B.W. ON 350 METRES.

1.45 p.m.—Weather report.

5.30 to 6.30 p.m.—Programme of Chinese music (records supplied by The Pleasant Co.).

7.45 p.m.—Evening weather report.

8 p.m.—Evening programme (Victor and H.M.V. records supplied by Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co., Ltd.).

"The Girl Friend" (Rodgers), Vocal Gema, and "Peggy Ann" (Rodgers), Vocal Gema, H.M.V. Light Opera Company.

"Travellers All Of Every Station" and "The Kerry Dance" (Molloy), Bass-Baritone, Peter Dawson.

"In A Persian Market" and "In A Chinese Temple Garden," International Concert Orchestra.

"La Campanella" and "Nocturne in F sharp major," Piano Solo, Ignace Jan Paderewski.

"Jeannine I Dream of Lila Time" and "King For A Day," Organ Solo, Jesse Crawford.

"Bavaria Dance, Op. 27" (Elgar), London Symphony Orchestra.

"Song Of The Volga Boatman" and "Within The Tomb Forgotten," Bass, Feodor Chaliapin.

"Clowns In Clovers" Selection, The New Mayfair Orchestra.

"Shonandoah" (Sea Shanty) and "A Rio Grande," (b) Billy Boy, Baritone, John Goss.

"Where The Shy Little Violets Grow," "When Summer Is Gone" and "Blue Danube Waltz" (Strauss), Organ Solo, Jesse Crawford.

"Tales from the Vienna Woods," Waltz, Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.

"Chelsea Fays" and "London-derry Air," Organ Solo, Reginald Goss-Custard.

"Flying Dutchman" (Wagner), Overture, New York Philharmonic Orchestra.

"The Good Little Boy and The Bad Little Boy" and "Under The Buzanka Tree" (Lee), Humorous Norman Long.

"Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2" (Liszt), Alfred Cortet.

"Blossom's Film Scenario," Talking by John Henry and Blossom.

"I Love The Moon" and "Jeannette" Tenor, Walter Glynn.

"Angel's Serenade" (Bruga) and "Canzonetta," Violin Solo, Marjorie Hayward.

"The Rosary" (Nevin) and "Old Black Joe" (Foster), Steel Guitar Solo, Sam Ka West.

"Lido Lady" (Rodgers) Selection, Savoy Orpheans.
10.30 p.m.—Close down.

HOSPITAL FIGHT FOR A LIFE.

REMARKABLE OPERATION ON A MAN.

A dramatic attempt by doctors at King's College Hospital to save the life of a man by a rare and difficult operation which had been performed only once before in the history of the hospital, was described at the Chamberwell inquest on William Mitchell McKeechie, a blind masseur, of Aristote-road, Clapham, who took corrosive sublimate in mistake for calomel when living alone.

Dr. H. Llewellyn Rees said that the operation was performed on the kidneys. Both kidneys were removed, treated, and then replaced. The operation had been known for ten years, but was rarely performed. It was successful, and had the desired effect for a time, but McKeechie became worse later.

Dr. Rees added that when they realised that McKeechie had no chance he was told, and he made a statement, which was signed and witnessed, describing how he took the poison.

Mr. Cowburn, recording a verdict of "Death by medical negligence," described the operation as a difficult and dangerous one, but based on perfectly sound scientific principles. "The action of the doctor in taking a dying man's declaration," added the coroner, "is worthy of all praise. There is no doubt that if all doctors were as careful in taking such statements in this proper way the cause of justice would be materially assisted."

AIR PILOT'S ERROR.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY OF A PRIVATE AIRPLANE.

An accident to a private airplane at Stag-lane Aerodrome was described at the inquest at Hendon on Mr. John Anthony Barnett, of Addison-road, Eves, and Mr. William John Williams, aged twenty-two, a journalist, the victims.

Mr. W. T. W. Ballantyne, of Stag-lane, a pilot, stated that he saw the accident.

"I saw the airplane approaching from the western boundary of the aerodrome," he said, "and it was about 200 feet up. It was making a movement as if to land, and was coming down wind, which is unusual. It is customary for the machine to land against the wind, but I particularly noticed that this machine was coming with the wind on its back. I did not see the pilot do the circuit of the aerodrome, which is usual before landing. He came across the aerodrome, and when about in the centre I noticed that his speed was becoming slow."

The airplane started to spin, died about half a turn, and then crashed to the ground."

The jury found that both victims died from injuries caused by the crash, and that there was an error of judgment.

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Hong Kong, 20th Aug., 1929. [8238]

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No Fire Insurance will be effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

18th August, 1929. [8341]

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Optional Cargo will not be

ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG.

ALEXANDRIA.

Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 25.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 6.

AMOI.

Haining, Douglas, Aug. 20.
Hanyang, B. & S., Aug. 21.
Tijlask, J.C.J.L., Aug. 22.
Hanyang, Douglas, Aug. 23.
Tijlask, J.C.J.L., Aug. 23.
Anhui, B. & S., Aug. 20.
Haining, Douglas, Aug. 27.
Kunming, Jardine's, Aug. 27.
Kunming, B. & S., Sept. 1.
Hosang, Jardine's, Sept. 3.
Tijlask, J.C.J.L., Sept. 3.
Tijlask, J.C.J.L., Sept. 6.
Kunming, Jardine's, Sept. 11.
Tilawa, B.I., Sept. 14.
Namsang, Jardine's, Sept. 18.
Talamba, B.I., Sept. 19.

ANTWERP.

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 24.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Java, Manners, Aug. 30.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 31.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Chang, B. & S., Aug. 20.
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 21.
Tanda, E. & A., Aug. 30.
Taiping, B. & S., Sept. 17.

BALTI PORTS.

Java, Manners, Aug. 30.

BALTIMORE.

Myrtlebank, Bank, Sept. 6.
City of Canberra, Bank, Sept. 10.

BANGKOK.

Kiungchow, B. & S., Aug. 20.
Hirundo, Thoresen's, Aug. 25.
Kiangsu, B. & S., Aug. 25.
Kaying, B. & S., Sept. 1.

BELAWAN DELI.

Saarluecken, Melchers, Aug. 24.
Clemor, J.C.J.L., Aug. 29.

BOMBAY.

Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 23.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 11.
Morea, P. & O., Sept. 14.

BOSTON.

Kako Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 20.
Malayan Prince, Furness, Aug. 25.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 25.
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 25.
Myrtlebank, Bank, Sept. 6.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 8.
City of Canberra, Bank, Sept. 10.
Royal Prince, Furness, Sept. 12.

BREMEN.

Saarluecken, Melchers, Aug. 24.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.

BRINDISI.

Piave, Dodwell's, Sept. 7.
Remo, Dodwell's, Sept. 17.

CALCUTTA.

Yuen-sang, Jardine's, Aug. 21.
Taima, B.I., Aug. 27.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.
Suisang, Jardine's, Sept. 1.
Dalgoma, B.I., Sept. 3.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.
Garbeta, B.I., Sept. 15.

CEBU.

Illinois, S.S.S., Aug. 31.
Golden Hind, S.S.S., Sept. 19.

CHEFOO.

Huichow, B. & S., Aug. 20.
Kueichow, B. & S., Sept. 3.

COLOMBO.

Vimaline, Dwell's, Aug. 20.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 24.
Saarluecken, Melchers, Aug. 24.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 25.
Leverkusen, J.C.J.L., Aug. 26.
Athos II, M.M., Aug. 27.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 28.
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Aug. 31.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 31.
Ermland, J.C.J.L., Sept. 7.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
Piave, Dodwell's, Sept. 8.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 11.
D'Artagnan, M.M., Sept. 11.
Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.
Morea, P. & O., Sept. 14.
Remo, Dodwell's, Sept. 17.

COPENHAGEN.

Java, Manners, Aug. 30.
Arga, Gilman's, Sept. 7.

DALNY.

Kiungchow, B. & S., Aug. 21.
Hector, B.F., Aug. 23.
Coblenz, Melchers, Aug. 29.
Franken, Melchers, Sept. 7.
Caucasus, B.F., Sept. 12.

DUTCH PORTS.

Huichow, B. & S., Aug. 20.
Achilles, B.F., Aug. 21.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 24.
Saarluecken, Melchers, Aug. 24.
Leverkusen, J.C.J.L., Aug. 26.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Java, Manners, Aug. 27.
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Aug. 31.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 31.
Ermland, J.C.J.L., Sept. 7.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
City of Canberra, Bank, Sept. 9.
Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.
Philoctetes, B.F., Sept. 17.

FOOCHOW.

Haining, Douglas, Aug. 20.
Hanyang, Douglas, Aug. 23.
Haining, Douglas, Aug. 27.

GENOA.

Agapenor, B.F., Aug. 21.
Saarluecken, Melchers, Aug. 24.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 25.
Leverkusen, J.C.J.L., Aug. 26.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Ermland, J.C.J.L., Sept. 7.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 8.
Protestant, B.F., Sept. 14.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 20.

GLASGOW.

Agapenor, B.F., Aug. 21.
Antenor, B.F., Sept. 4.
City of Bedford, Bank, Sept. 9.
Protestant, B.F., Sept. 14.

GOTHENBURG.

Java, Manners, Aug. 30.
Arga, Gilman's, Sept. 7.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Kiungchow, B. & S., Aug. 20.
Canton, M.M., Aug. 21.
Chinhua, B. & S., Aug. 21.
Tokin, M.M., Aug. 27.
Chekiang, B. & S., Aug. 31.

HAMBURG.

Achilles, B.F., Aug. 21.
Saarluecken, Melchers, Aug. 24.
Leverkusen, J.C.J.L., Aug. 26.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Aug. 31.
Java, Manners, Aug. 30.
Agra, Gilman's, Sept. 7.
Ermland, J.C.J.L., Sept. 7.
City of Bedford, Bank, Sept. 9.
Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.
Philoctetes, B.F., Sept. 17.

HAVRE.

Agapenor, B.F., Aug. 21.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Java, Manners, Sept. 1.
Protestant, B.F., Sept. 14.

HONOLULU.

Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 21.
Korea Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.

ILOILO.

Illinois, S.S.S., Aug. 31.
Golden Hind, S.S.S., Sept. 19.

JAPAN PORTS.

Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, Aug. 20.
Yamagata Maru, Aug. 20.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 21.
Kanagawa Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 22.
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 23.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 23.
Tyndarus, B.F., Aug. 24.
Garbeta, B.I., Aug. 29.
Genoa Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 27.
Kunming, Jardine's, Aug. 27.
Pres. Madison, A.M.L., Aug. 27.
Sphinx, M.M., Aug. 27.
Agra, Gilman's, Aug. 29.
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Aug. 29.
Karmala, P. & O., Aug. 30.
Mirapore, P. & O., Sept. 2.
Sumatra, Gilman's, Sept. 2.
Duchessa d'Aosta, Dwell's, Sept. 3.
Hosang, Jardine's, Sept. 3.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 3.
Mentor, B.F., Sept. 3.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, Sept. 3.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Sept. 4.
Korea Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.
Nagapore, P. & O., Sept. 4.
Preussen, J.C.J.L., Sept. 4.
Franken, Melchers, Sept. 7.
Onia, B.F., Sept. 8.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 9.
Anger, M.M., Sept. 10.
Pres. Jackson, A.M.L., Sept. 10.
St. Albans, E. & A., Sept. 10.
Alipore, P. & O., Sept. 11.
Kunming, Jardine's, Sept. 11.
Esquiline, Dodwell's, Sept. 12.
Teucer, B.F., Sept. 12.
Africa, Manners, Sept. 13.
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 13.
Tilawa, B.I., Sept. 14.
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Sept. 16.
Pres. Taft, Dollar, Sept. 17.
Namsang, Jardine's, Sept. 18.
Talamba, B.I., Sept. 19.

JAVA PORTS.

Tijlask, J.C.J.L., Aug. 27.
Tijlask, J.C.J.L., Aug. 28.
Tijlask, J.C.J.L., Sept. 10.

LIVERPOOL.

Agapenor, B.F., Aug. 21.
Protestant, B.F., Sept. 14.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 20.

LONDON.

Achilles, B.F., Aug. 21.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 24.
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Aug. 31.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 31.
Antenor, B.F., Sept. 4.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
City of Bedford, Bank, Sept. 9.
Morea, P. & O., Sept. 14.
Philoctetes, B.F., Sept. 17.

LOS ANGELES.

Golden Peak, S.S.S., Aug. 24.
Pres. Madison, A.M.L., Aug. 27.
Korea Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.
Golden M'tain, S.S.S., Sept. 7.
Pres. Jackson, A.M.L., Sept. 10.

MANILA.

Chang, B. & S., Aug. 20.
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 21.
Saarluecken, Melchers, Aug. 24.
Leverkusen, J.C.J.L., Aug. 26.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
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Ermland, J.C.J.L., Sept. 7.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
City of Canberra, Bank, Sept. 9.
Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.
Philoctetes, B.F., Sept. 17.

MARSEILLES.

Achilles, B.F., Aug. 21.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 24.
Athos II, M.M., Aug. 27.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 31.
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Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 8.
D'Artagnan, M.M., Sept. 10.
Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.
Morea, P. & O., Sept. 14.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 20.

NAPLES.

Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 25.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 8.

NEWORLEANS.

Liangchow, B. & S., Aug. 21.

NEW YORK, BOSTON, etc.

Kako Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 20.
Malayan Prince, Furness, Aug. 25.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 25.
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 25.
Myrtlebank, Bank, Sept. 6.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 8.
City of Canberra, Bank, Sept. 10.
Royal Prince, Furness, Sept. 12.

NORTH CHINA.

Hector, B.F., Aug. 23.
Coblenz, Melchers, Aug. 23.
Preussen, J.C.J.L., Sept. 4.
Franken, Melchers, Sept. 7.
Africa, Manners, Sept. 13.
Vogtland, J.C.J.L., Sept. 15.

ORAN.

Leverkusen, J.C.J.L., Aug. 26.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.

OSLO.

Java, Manners, Sept. 1.

PANAMA.

Kako Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 20.
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 25.

PENANG.

Yuen-sang, Jardine's, Aug. 21.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 24.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 25.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Taima, B.I., Aug. 27.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.
Cremor, J.C.J.L., Aug. 29.
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Sept. 1.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 31.
Suisang, Jardine's, Sept. 1.
Dalgoma, B.I., Sept. 3.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 8.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 11.
Morea, P. & O., Sept. 14.
Garbeta, B.I., Sept. 15.

PORTLAND.

Texas, S.S.S., Aug. 31.
Caucasus, B.F., Sept. 12.

RANGOON.

Akita Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.
Dalgoma, B.I., Sept. 3.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.

SAIGON.

Athos II, M.M., Aug. 27.
D'Artagnan, M.M., Sept. 10.

SANDAKAN.

Tanda, E. & A., Aug. 30.
Haining, Jardine's, Sept. 4.
Mausang, Jardine's, Sept. 16.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 21.
Golden Peak, S.S.S., Aug. 24.
Pres. Madison, A.M.L., Aug. 27.
Texas, S.S.S., Aug. 31.
Korea Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.
Golden M'tain, S.S.S., Sept. 7.
Pres. Jackson, A.M.L., Sept. 10.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.

Java, Manners, Aug. 30.
Arga, Gilman's, Sept. 7.

SEATTLE.

Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, Aug. 20.
Tyndarus, B.F., Aug. 24.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, Sept. 3.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 9.
Caucasus, B.F., Sept. 12.
Teucer, B.F., Sept. 12.
Pres. Taft, Dollar, Sept. 17.

SHANGHAI.

Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, Aug. 20.
Yamagata Maru, Aug. 20.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 21.
Hanyang, B. & S., Aug. 21.
Liangchow, B. & S., Aug. 21.
Kwong-sang, Jardine's, Aug. 21.
Sunning, B. & S., Aug. 21.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 21.
Chang, B. & S., Aug. 21.
Kanagawa Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 22.
Tijlask, J.C.J.L., Aug. 22.
Hector, B.F., Aug. 23.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 23.
Szechuen, B. & S., Aug. 24.
Foshing, Jardine's, Aug. 25.
Tijlask, J.C.J.L., Aug. 25.
Genoa Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 27.
Sphinx, M.M., Aug. 27.
Coblenz, Melchers, Aug. 29.
Hosang, Jardine's, Aug. 29.
Awa Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.

SHANGHAI—(Continued).

Glenahiel, Jardine's, Aug. 30.
Karmala, P. & O., Aug. 30.
Hanging, Jardine's, Sept. 1.
Mirapore, P. & O., Sept. 2.
Nagapore, P. & O., Sept. 2.
Sumatra, Gilman's, Sept. 2.
Duchessa d'Aosta, Dwell's, Sept. 3.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 3.
Mentor, B.F., Sept. 3.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Sept. 4.
Korea Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 4.
Preussen, J.C.J.L., Sept. 4.
Tijlask, J.C.J.L., Sept. 6.
Onia, B.F., Sept. 8.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 9.
Anger, M.M., Sept. 10.
Pres. Jackson, A.M.L., Sept. 10.
Alipore, P. & O., Sept. 11.
Asphalion, B.F., Sept. 12.
Esquiline, Dodwell's, Sept. 12.
Athos II, M.M., Sept. 12.
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 13.
Morea, P. & O., Sept. 13.
Tilawa, B.I., Sept. 14.
Glenahiel, Jardine's, Sept. 16.
Pres. Taft, Dollar, Sept. 17.
Vogtland, J.C.J.L., Sept. 18.
Talamba, B.I., Sept. 19.

SINGAPORE.

Kiungchow, B. & S., Aug. 20.
Vimaline, Dwell's, Aug. 20.
Yuen-sang, Jardine's, Aug. 21.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 24.
Saarluecken, Melchers, Aug. 24.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, Aug. 25.
Anhui, B. & S., Aug. 25.
Leverkusen, J.C.J.L., Aug. 26.
Athos II, M.M., Aug. 27.
Augsburg, Melchers, Aug. 27.
Taima, B.I., Aug. 27.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 29.
Cremor, J.C.J.L., Aug. 29.
Kawachi Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 30.
Glenamoy, Jardine's, Aug. 31.
Kashmir, P. & O., Aug. 31.
Java, Manners, Sept. 1.
Kunming, B. & S., Sept. 1.
Suisang, Jardine's, Sept. 1.
Dalgoma, B.I., Sept. 3.
Antenor, B.F., Sept. 4.
Ermland, J.C.J.L., Sept. 7.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
Piave, Dwell's, Sept. 7.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 8.
City of Canberra, Bank, Sept. 9.
D'Artagnan, M.M., Sept. 10.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 11.
Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.
Morea, P. & O., Sept. 14.
Garbeta, B.I., Sept. 15.

SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

Kawachi Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 30.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

Kawachi Maru, N.Y.K., Aug. 30.

SWATOW.

Haining, Douglas, Aug. 20.
Hinchow, B. & S., Aug. 20.
Kwong-sang, Jardine's, Aug. 21.
Sunning, B. & S., Aug. 21.
Hanyang, Douglas, Aug. 23.
Szechuen, B. & S., Aug. 23.
Foshing, Jardine's, Aug. 25.
Hirundo, Thoresen's, Aug. 25.
Kiangsu, B. & S., Aug. 25.
Anhui, B. & S., Aug. 25.
Haining, Douglas, Aug. 27.
Hosang, Jardine's, Aug. 27.
Hanging, Jardine's, Sept. 1.
Kaying, B. & S., Sept. 1.
Kunming, B. & S., Sept. 1.

TIENTSIN.

Huichow, B. & S., Aug. 20.
Ching-shing, Jardine's, Aug. 23.
Coblenz, Melchers, Aug. 23.
Africa, Manners, Sept. 1.
Cheong-shing, Jardine's, Sept. 3.
Kueichow, B. & S., Sept. 3.
Franken, Melchers, Sept. 7.

TRIESTE AND VENICE.

Piave, Dodwell's, Sept. 7.
Remo, Dodwell's, Sept. 17.

TSINGTAO.

Kwong-sang, Jardine's, Aug. 21.
Sunning, B. & S., Aug. 21.
Hector, B.F., Aug. 23.
Szechuen, B. & S., Aug. 24.
Foshing, Jardine's, Aug. 25.
Coblenz, Melchers, Aug. 25.
Hosang, Jardine's, Aug. 29.
Africa, Manners, Sept. 1.
Hanging, Jardine's, Sept. 1.
Franken, Melchers, Sept. 7.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 21.
Tyndarus, B.F., Aug. 24.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Sept. 4.
Teucer, B.F., Sept. 12.
Caucasus, B.F., Sept. 12.

VICTORIA, B.C.

Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, Aug. 20.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Aug. 21.
Tyndarus, B.F., Aug. 24.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, Sept. 3.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Sept. 4.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 9.
Teucer, B.F., Sept. 12.
Pres. Taft, Dollar, Sept. 17.

VLADIVOSTOK.

Glenahiel, Jardine's, Aug. 30.
Suisang, Jardine's, Sept. 1.
Glenahiel, Jardine's, Sept. 16.

WEIHAIWEI.

Huichow, B. & S., Aug. 20.
Hector, B.F., Aug. 23.
Ching-shing, Jardine's, Aug. 23.
Cheong-shing, Jardine's, Sept. 3.
Kueichow, B. & S., Sept. 3.

EXPECTED ARRIVALS AND MOVEMENTS.

Achilles due from Shanghai Aug. 20.

Aeneas due from Europe Sept. 23.

Afrika due from Europe Sept. 13.

Agapenor due from Shanghai Aug. 20.

Agra due from Shanghai Sept. 2.

Akita Maru due from Japan Aug. 29.

Alipore due from Europe Sept. 10.

Alster due from Shanghai Sept. 12.

Angers due from Europe Sept. 10.

Antenor due from Japan Sept. 4.

Asia due from Shanghai Sept. 25.

Asphalion due from Europe Sept. 12.

Athos II due from Shanghai Aug. 27.

Atridis due from Europe Sept. 30.

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HONGKONG, SHANGHAI & SWATOW. "KUNGHOW" On 20th Aug. 10 a.m.
 SWATOW, FOOCHOW, WENHAIWEI, "HUICHOW" On 20th Aug. 3 p.m.
 SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN. "SUNNING" On 21st Aug. 10 a.m.
 HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIKONG. "CHINHUA" On 21st Aug. 11 a.m.
 SHANGHAI, NINGBO & DALI. "LIANGCHOW" On 21st Aug. 3 p.m.
 AMOI, NINGBO & SHANGHAI. "HANYANG" On 21st Aug. 5 p.m.
 SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN. "SZECHUEN" On 24th Aug. 10 a.m.
 SWATOW & SHANGHAI. "KIANGSU" On 25th Aug. 5 p.m.
 SWATOW, AMOI, SWATOW & FOOCHOW. "ANHUI" On 26th Aug. 5 p.m.
 HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIKONG. "CHEKIANG" On 31st Aug. 11 a.m.
 AMOI, SWATOW & SHANGHAI. "KINGYUAN" On 1st Sept. 8 a.m.
 SWATOW & SHANGHAI. "KAYING" On 1st Sept. Noon
 WENHAIWEI, CHIEFOO & TIENTSIN. "KURICHOW" On 3rd Sept. 2 p.m.

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D'ARTAGNAN ... 10th Sept.	ANGERS ... 10th Sept.
SPINX ... 24th Sept.	C. METZINGER ... 24th Sept.
ANGERS ... 8th Oct.	ANDRE LEBON ... 8th Oct.
G. METZINGER ... 22nd Oct.	PORTHOS ... 22nd Oct.
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AUGUST 18, 1929.											AUGUST 19, 1929.										
STATION	Elev. (ft.)	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL		TEMPERATURE	HUMIDITY	WIND		WAVES (height)	WAVES (direction)	Elev. (ft.)	Elev. (ft.)	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL		TEMPERATURE	HUMIDITY	WIND		WAVES (height)	WAVES (direction)		
		Inches	Millis.			Direction	Force (miles per hour)					Inches	Millis.			Direction	Force (miles per hour)				
Wladivostok	12	29.70	754.4	83	...	NW	1	or	6	29.81	757.2	70	...	...	...	...	...	0	b
Nemuro	11	29.55	750.5	...	...	W	6	...	5	29.73	755.0	...	...	...	...	W	...	1	0
Hokodate	...	29.65	753.0	...	...	S	1	...	...	29.78	756.1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	0
Tokio	...	29.65	753.0	...	...	S	1	...	...	29.84	758.0	...	...	...	...	NE	...	1	0
Kochi	...	29.82	757.5	...	...	SE	1	...	...	29.86	758.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	0
Nagasaki	...	29.86	758.5	...	...	SSW	1	...	...	29.90	759.5	...	...	...	...	SW	...	1	0
Kagoshima	...	29.84	758.0	...	...	SSE	1	...	...	29.90	759.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	0
Oshima	...	29.84	757.0	...	...	S	1	...	...	29.88	759.0	...	...	...	...	SE	...	1	0
Naha	...	29.76	756.0	...	...	S	3	...	...	29.82	757.5	...	...	...	...	ESE	...	1	1
Ishigakijima	...	29.69	754.0	...	...	SSE	2	...	...	29.75	755.5	...	...	...	...	SE	...	2	2
Bonin Island	...	29.88	759.0	...	...	E	1	...	...	29.86	758.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	0
Chetoo	15	29.72	754.9	84	75	NE	1	b	6	29.77	756.1	77	82	...	...	...	...	0	0
Shanghai	14	29.75	755.7	86	61	SE	2	b	...	29.80	756.9	77	100	ESE	...	...	...	b	b
Guttsai	...	29.81	757.2	83	87	SE	4	b	...	29.88	758.9	78	100	SE	...	...	...	2	2
Sharp Peak	...	29.52	74.98	86	92	E	1	b	...	29.62	75.23	80	96	ESE	...	...	...	4	r
Amoy	...	29.60	75.18	86	84	SSE	1	b	6	29.65	753.1	80	96	NE	...	...	...	3	...
Swatow	...	29.81	75.21	81	96	E	2	c	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taihekou	11	29.63	752.7	90	60	E	2	b	5	29.67	753.6	79	84	ESE	...	...	...	2	b
Taihu	...	29.67	753.6	90	...	...	...	...	...	29.69	754.2	84	...	...	...	...	...	0	0
Tainan	...	29.65	753.0	86	...	SW	2	o	...	29.67	753.6	75	...	...	...	...	...	0	0
Koshu	...	29.66	753.3	84	...	...	...	...	...	29.67	753.6	76	...	...	...	...	...	0	0
Pescadores	...	29.68	753.3	82	...	WNW	2	o	...	29.67	753.6	79	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hong Kong	14	29.51	74.95	83	84	SE	2	o	6	29.57	75.11	79	91	SE	...	...	...	2	o
Gap Rock	...	29.51	74.95	...	...	S	4	or	...	29.55	75.03	...	...	SE	...	...	...	4	o
Macao	...	29.42	74.73	82	90	S	2	o	...	29.52	74.97	77	96	SE	...	...	...	4	o
Hoihow	...	29.59	75.16	82	87	S	3	od	...	29.65	753.1	79	91	S	...	...	...	3	c
Pratas Island	...	29.48	74.88	86	81	W	4	o	7	29.49	74.91	75	...	WNW	...	...	...	6	o
Phulien	15	29.58	75.12	86	...	NW	4	o	...	29.56	75.07	79	...	NW	...	...	...	4	o
Tourane	...	29.62	75.24	86	75	WSW	4	o	6	29.79	75.68	77	...	SW	...	...	...	4	o
Cape St. James	14	29.62	75.24	86	75	WSW	4	o	6	29.68	75.27	77	89	WNW	...	...	...	4	o
Basco	...	29.65	75.30	84	74	SSW	2	o	...	29.67	75.38	75	91	S	...	...	...	2	o
Agatti	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.68	75.39	75	89	WSW	...	...	...	1	o
Tuguegarao	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.74	75.54	75	94	SE	...	...	...	1	o
Vigan	...	29.69	754.2	82	81	WSW	4	o	...	29.73	75.51	75	96	...	...	...	...	0	o
Manila	...	29.66	753.3	90	60	WSW	4	b	...	29.73	75.51	75	96	...	...	...	...	0	o
Legaspi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.74	75.54	77	91	...	...	...	...	...	...
Calbayog	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.75	75.57	79	91	...	...	...	...	0	o
Tacolban	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.76	75.60	79	80	SW	...	...	...	0	o
Iloilo	...	29.68	753.9	96	71	SW	4	o	...	29.75	75.57	79	91	...	...	...	...	0	o
Cebu	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.76	75.60	79	80	SW	...	...	...	0	o
Surigao	...	29.68	753.9	86	65	WSW	2	o	...	29.75	75.57	77	96	...	...	...	...	0	o
Saipan	...	29.66	753.3	...	...	N	2	o	4.23	29.72	75.49	80	...	ESE	...	...	...	1	o
Guam	12.22	29.66	753.3	...	...	WNW	2	o	5	29.71	75.45	...	...	SE	...	...	...	1	o
Yap	11.00	29.69	754.2	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.73	75.51	...	...	W	...	...	...	0	o
Pelew	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.80	75.69	78	...	...	...	...	...	0	o
Ponape	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.84	75.79	79	...	...	...	...	...	0	o
Latuan	14	29.52	757.4	80	74	...	0	o	6	29.84	757.9	76	94	NW	...	...	...	2	o

August 192. 10A. 30m.—Warning to Hong Kong, and Phulien:—Depression of unknown intensity within 60 miles of Lat. 20° N. Long. 108° E. moving W.
 August 192. 10A. 35m.—A weak anticyclone is central over S. Japan. A depression of considerable intensity has developed over the Gulf of Tongking; it will probably move westwards.
 Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.27 inch. Total since January 1, 53.22 inches, against an average of 61.09 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON AUGUST 20.

- DISTRICT. FORECAST.
 1.—Formosa Channel ... Light variable winds.
 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamcocks
 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock ... S.E. winds, fresh; cloudy, showery.
 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan

C. W. JEFFRIES, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, August 19.

Previous Day	On Date	On Date
at 4 p.m.	at 10 a.m.	at 4 p.m.
Barometer ... 29.49	29.65	29.63
Temperature ... 79	84	80
Humidity ... 91	80	88
Wind ... E	S	E
Direction ... 3	3	3
Force ... 0	0	0
Weather ... 1.75	0.00	0.59
Rain ...		

Highest open-air Temperature, 18.82
 Lowest open-air Temperature, 19.72

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

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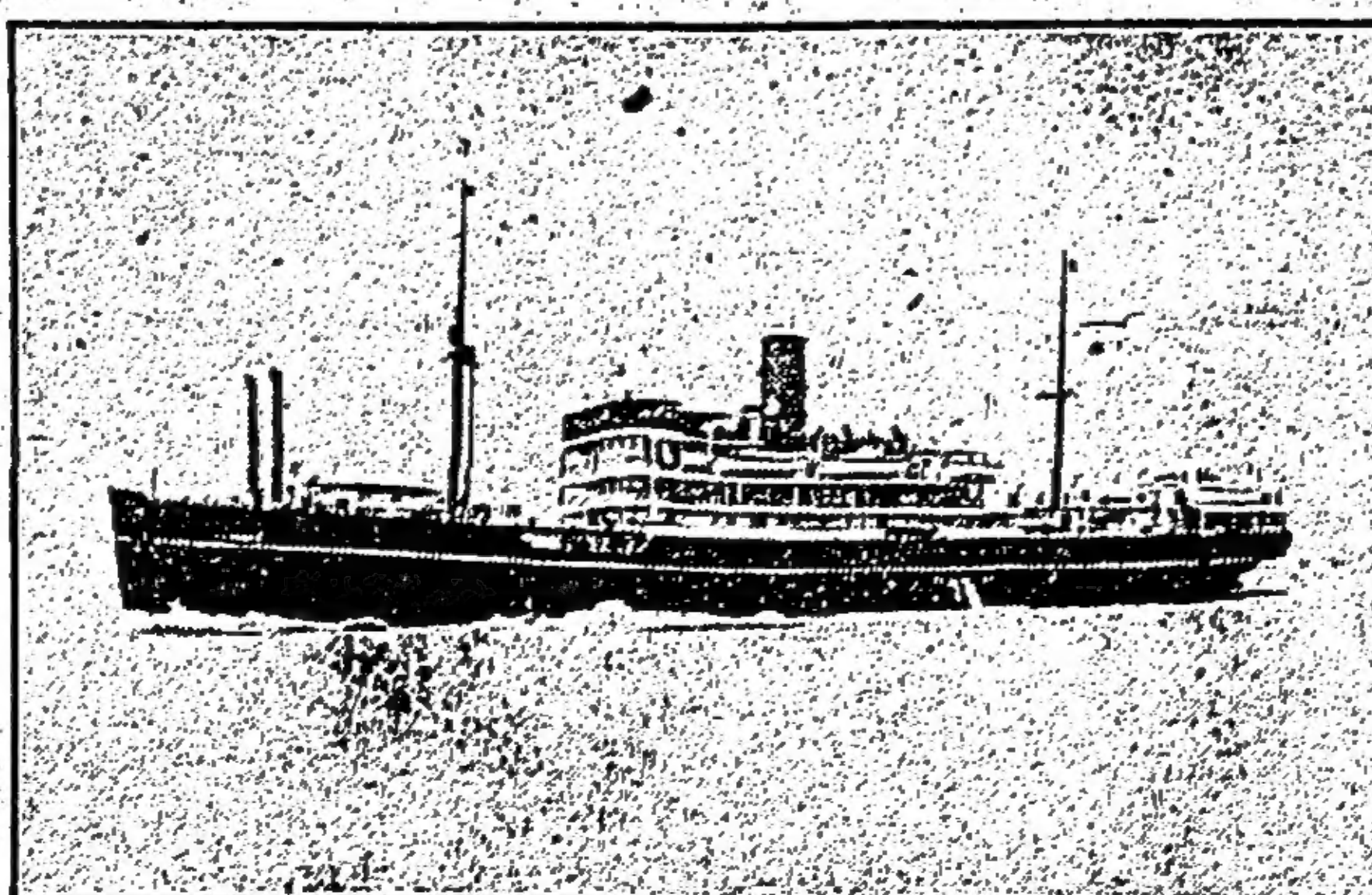
From August 20 to 26, 1929.

Day of Week	Date	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Tues.	20	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
		10.49	4.4	2.37	3.4
Wed.	21	10.45	4.4	2.37	3.4
		11.41	4.8	2.45	3.9
Thur.	22	10.45	4.4	2.37	3.4
		11.41	4.8	2.45	3.9
Fri.	23	10.45	4.4	2.37	3.4
		11.41	4.8	2.45	3.9
Sat.	24	10.45	4.4	2.37	3.4
		11.41	4.8	2.45	3.9
Sun.	25	10.45	4.4	2.37	3.4
		11.41	4.8	2.45	3.9
Mon.	26	10.45	4.4	2.37	3.4
		11.41	4.8	2.45	3.9

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OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"KUMSANG" "HOSANG" "KUTSANG" "HAMSANG"	Tues., 27th Aug., at 10 a.m. Tues., 27th Aug., at 7 a.m. Wed., 11th Sept., at 7 a.m. Thurs., 19th Sept., at 7 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALOUTIA	"YUENSANG" "SUISANG"	Wed., 31st Aug., at 3 p.m. Sun., 1st Sept., at 10 a.m.
BANDARAN	"HINSANG" "MAUSANG"	Wed., 4th Sept., at 3 p.m. Mon., 16th Sept., at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN via WEI-HAI-WEI	"CHIEFSHING" "CHEONGSEING"	Sun., 25th Aug., at 10 a.m. Tues., 3rd Sept., at Noon

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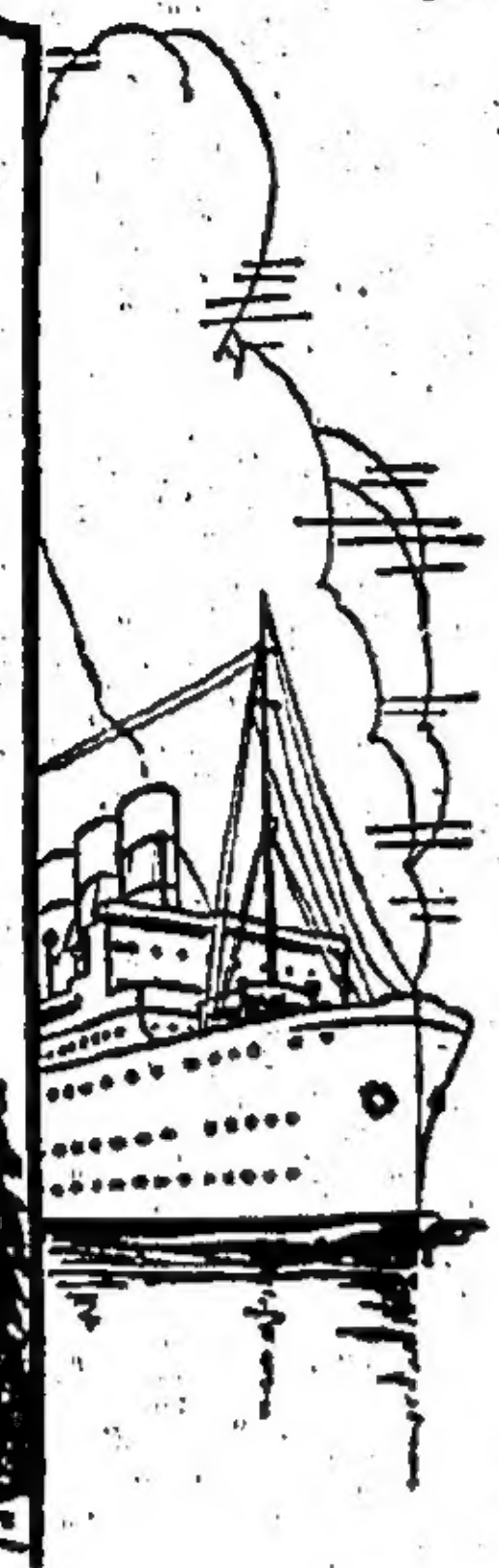


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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORT 10,500 TONS;
THROUGH CARGO
26,300 TONS.

Cargo returns shown at the Harbour Office during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday by vessels arriving in Hong Kong were as follows:—

British	Cargo for	Through
Kanchow	H.K.	Ports.
Kanchow	350	240
Canton	—	220
Liangchow	540	385
Kiangsu	530	—
Foo Shing	180	440
Sheaf Mount	500	3,000
Pyrrhus	1,810	0,760
Emp. of Russia	10	110
Sunning	150	750
Tsingtao	—	4,400—11,005
American	—	—
Pres. Cleveland	130	800
Manila	—	500
Norwegian	—	—
Escondido	2,040	—
Saigon	—	2,040
Swedish	—	—
Nagara	—	6,850
Dairen	—	6,850
Danish	—	—
Clara Jensen	900	1,840
Borreo	—	1,840
Japanese	—	—
Sorachi Maru	930	940
Keelung	—	80
Menado Maru	1,000	—
Hainpong	—	3,650
Kasado Maru	—	—
Yei Maru	720	800
Yingchow	—	3,510—5,470
K. C. Wan	280	—
Total	10,540	26,303

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

British	Arr.	Dep.
American	9	5
Norwegian	1	0
Swedish	1	1
Danish	1	0
Japanese	4	3
Portuguese	1	1
Chinese	1	1
Total	19	12

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Vessel	Passengers
Pyrrhus (Br.) Shanghai	12
Empress of Russia (Br.)	71
Manila	—
Sunning (Br.) Tsingtao	104
Swatow	—
Clara Jensen (Dut.) Samar-undo, Sandakan	35
Menado Maru (Jap.) Hainpong, Hoihow	210
Cheung On (Jap.) Shan Mei	60
Total	492

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

New British Arrivals.

Arriving here yesterday from London and Singapore the s.s. Sheaf Mount (British) paid her first visit to this port. She carried 800 tons of general merchandise for Hong Kong and 3,000 tons for through ports. She is owned by the Sheaf Steam Shipping Co., Ltd. (Messrs. W. A. Scott & Co. Managers) for whom Messrs. Mackinnon & Mackenzie are the local agents.

She was built in 1913 by Messrs. W. Doxford & Sons, Ltd., of Sunderland with a nett tonnage of 3,197 tons and gross 5,122 tons. She was formerly known as the s.s. Gifford. Her engines were installed by the builders.

The vessel's dimensions are: Length 420 feet, beam 54.1 feet and depth 26.3 feet. Captain W. C. Walker is in command with a British crew of 46.

Stowaway in a Tank.

Santtu Pennanen, a native of Finland, who was arrested for stowing away on board the s.s. Nagara from Shanghai was fined \$25, with the alternative of three weeks' hard labour, by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday. Mr. E. C. Fincher, of Messrs. Gilman & Company, agents of the vessel, told his Worship that one of the company's vessels would be sailing for Shanghai on September 2nd. Defendant speaking through the medium of a Russian interpreter, pleaded guilty to the charge.

Defendant had been employed as a watchman in Shanghai and stowed away in an empty fresh water tank, showing himself two days after leaving that port.

Passenger Traffic Figures.

The passenger-traffic figures for the week ending August 17, are published at the Harbour Office as under:—

	Arr.	Dep.
Ocean-going steamers	9,954	10,415
River steamers	28,933	30,324
Junks and launches	342	450
Total	39,229	41,289

MARINE INQUIRY.

MATE'S ABSENCE FROM S.S. KWONG FOOK CHEONG.

A Marine Court of Inquiry will be held at the Harbour Office tomorrow (Wednesday) morning at 10.30 a.m. when Mr. Beck, formerly Chief Officer of the s.s. Kwong Fook Cheong, of the Kowloon service, will be called upon to explain his absence from that vessel when she left Hong Kong for Kowloon on August 2. The Master, Mr. W. Perritt was summoned before the Marine Magistrate (Commander G. F. Hole) on August 12, and was fined \$15 for leaving the port without a mate on board.

The following will sit as assessors with Commander G. F. Hole, the Harbour Master, who will act as President:—Lt. Comdr. Addington, D.S.C., H.M.S. Timar; Captain Robert Thomas Hughes (s.s. Tyndareus); Captain Basil McKay Thomson (s.s. Lungshan) and Captain Cyril Robert Benstead (s.s. San Nam Hoi).

ARRIVALS.

August 18.

Pyrrhus, British str., 4,803 tons, Capt. F. Adcock, from Liverpool, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S. Clara Jensen, Danish str., 1,145 tons, Capt. J. Davidsson, from Sandakan, buoy No. B34.—J.C.J.L. Kanchow, British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. C. E. Fisher, from Amoy, buoy No. B12.—B. & S. Kasado Maru, Japanese str., 3,532 tons, Capt. S. Hinokuma, from Kobe via Moji, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K. Yei Maru, Japanese str., 1,349 tons, Capt. T. Tagashira, from Chefoo, Yaumati Wharf.—M.B.K.

August 19.

Escondido, Norwegian str., 937 tons, Capt. O. Nilsen, from Saigon, buoy No. C43.—Fau Yuen Hong. Sibigo, Dutch str., 911 tons, Capt. J. Wiber, from Samarinda, Yaumati Wharf.—J.C.J.L. Foo Shing, British str., 1,423 tons, Capt. W. Allan Balch, from Swatow, West Point Wharf.—J. M. & Co. Haruanan Maru, Japanese str., 1,867 tons, Capt. S. Imai, from Milke, Yaumati Wharf.—M.B.K. Tjikini, Dutch str., 2,888 tons, Capt. J. Van Rees, from Swatow, buoy No. A25.—J.C.J.L. Jelaga Maru, Japanese str., 3,521 tons, Capt. T. Moriama, from Sakito, buoy No. B11.—Y.K.K. Ka Heng, Portuguese str., 389 tons, Capt. I. Cordova, from K. C. Wan, buoy No. C40.—Hong On S.S. Co. Kako Maru, Japanese str., 4,004 tons, Capt. I. Tomimaga, from Hilo, buoy No. A6.—N.Y.K. Kanchow, British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. C. E. Fisher, from Canton, buoy No. B9.—B. & S. Liangchow, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. A. H. Bathurst, from Shanghai, buoy No. C37.—B. & S. Pres. Cleveland, American str., 8,333 tons, Capt. G. W. Yardley, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar S.S. Line. Sorachi Maru, Japanese str., 1,222 tons, Capt. J. Hirakawa, from Keelung, buoy No. C53.—M.B.K. Sungshan Maru, Japanese str., 1,503 tons, Capt. Kawamura, from Swatow, buoy No. C41.—N.Y.K. Ulrika, Norwegian str., 632 tons, Capt. A. Persen, from Hoihow, Yaumati Wharf.—Chan Yue Teng. Viminale, Italian str., 5,330 tons, Capt. Cherigo, from Shanghai, buoy No. A24.—Dodwell & Co.

August 19.

Anking, for Pass. Throu. Baron Faille, for Whampoa. Changto, for Manila. Clara Jensen, for Shanghai. Devawongse, for Swatow. Foo Shing, for Canton. Hydrangea, for Swatow. Kanchow, for Shanghai. Kasado Maru, for Singapore. Kiung Chow, for Hoihow. Liang Chow, for Canton. Pyrrhus, for Shanghai. Pres. Cleveland, for Shanghai. Sheaf Mount, for Shanghai. Sibigo, for Canton. Suizang, for Swatow. Sungshan Maru, for Canton. Tjimanteng, for Milke. Viminale, for Shanghai. Wing Lee, for K. C. Wan. Wong Shek Kung, for Hongkong.

CLEARANCES.

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"MOREA"	10,968	14th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"MANTUA"	10,948	28th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"MIRZAPUR"	8,718	2nd Oct.	Straita, Colombo & Bombay
"ALIPOR"	8,273	9th Oct.	Manila, L'bon, Hull, B'm. & A'wcp.
"KARMALA"	9,123	12th Oct.	Straita, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	23rd Oct.	Manila, L'bon, Hull, B'm. & A'wcp.
"KALYAN"	9,144	26th Oct.	Manila, L'bon, Hull, B'm. & A'wcp.
"NAGPORE"	5,338	2nd Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"MACDONIA"	11,120	9th Nov.	Manila, L'bon, Hull, B'm. & A'wcp.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	23rd Nov.	Manila, L'bon, Hull, B'm. & A'wcp.
"BELTANA"	10,948	30th Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"RAWALPINDI"	16,819	7th Dec.	Manila, L'bon, Hull, B'm. & A'wcp.
"MALWA"	10,980	21st Dec.	Manila, L'bon, Hull, B'm. & A'wcp.
"KHYBER"	9,114	28th Dec.	Manila, L'bon, Hull, B'm. & A'wcp.
"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	4th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"LAHORE"	8,304	11th Jan. [Mars.]	Manila, L'bon, Hull, B'm. & A'wcp.
"KHYBER"	9,114	18th Jan.	Manila, L'bon, Hull, B'm. & A'wcp.
"JEYPORE"	5,318	25th Jan. [Mars.]	Manila, L'bon, Hull, B'm. & A'wcp.
"MANTUA"	10,948	1st Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KARMALA"	9,123	15th Feb.	Manila, L'bon, Hull, B'm. & A'wcp.
"MACDONIA"	11,120	1st Mar.	Manila, L'bon, Hull, B'm. & A'wcp.

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"TALMA"	10,000	27th Aug. 8 p.m.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"DALGOMIA"	8,885	3rd Sept.	do.
"GARBETA"	5,327	15th Sept.	do.
"TILAWA"	10,006	4th Oct.	do.
"TALAMBA"	8,018	18th Oct.	do.
"TAKLIWA"	7,333	21st Oct.	do.

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"TANDA"	6,958	30th Aug.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th Nov.	do.
"ARABIA"	6,000	1st Nov.	do.
"TANDA"	6,958	9th Nov.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	3rd Jan. 1930	do.

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

"GARBETA"	5,327	26th Aug.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
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"ALIPORE"	8,273	11th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,948	13th Sept.	Shanghai.
"TILAWA"	10,006	14th Sept.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"TALAMBA"	8,018	19th Sept.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	25th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KALYAN"	9,144	27th Sept.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"NELLORE"	8,144	29th Sept.	do.
"TAKLIWA"	7,333	1st Oct.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"DELTA"	8,087	7th Oct.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ARABTUBA"	6,000	8th Oct.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"MACDONIA"	11,120	12th Oct.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TAKADA"	6,943	18th Oct.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"BELTANA"		19th Oct.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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